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OFFICIAL FORECAST.

Fair tonight and tomorrow; slowly rising temperature on tomorrow; the lowest tonight will be about 10 degrees.

THE HOURLY TEMPERATURES.

6 p. m.	15	4 a. m.	10
7 p. m.	15	5 a. m.	9
8 p. m.	15	6 a. m.	7
9 p. m.	15	7 a. m.	5
10 p. m.	16	8 a. m.	4
11 p. m.	15	9 a. m.	6
12 (midnight)	14	10 a. m.	8
1 a. m.	13	11 a. m.	9
2 a. m.	13	12 (noon)	11
3 a. m.	11	2 p. m.	13

The fox trot was the popular gait on the streets of St. Louis at the going-to-work hour this morning, when the lowest temperature of the season was recorded.

In some outlying districts thermometers registered as low as 2 degrees above in the early morning, but the official readings at the Weather Bureau station on the roof of the Railway Exchange Building were higher. The lowest reading there was 4 above zero at 5 a. m.

At 11 a. m. the temperature was 9 above.

The official forecast promised warmer weather tonight and tomorrow with the lowest temperature tonight about 10 above.

When for a short time yesterday afternoon the sun peeped through the smoke and clouds, but did not stay long enough to warm the wintry air, it was the first time St. Louisans had seen it since Dec. 1. Today the skies were clearer with prospects of more sunshine than St. Louis has seen for several weeks.

1180 Men in Lodging House.

At the municipal lodging house in the old Four Courts building last night 1180 men obtained shelter. Most of them arrived there before 4 p. m., the hour when the distribution of free soup begins. Those who remained all night received another portion of soup this morning.

The lowest unofficial temperatures reported this morning were 3 above at 5 a. m. at the Water Tower, near Grand avenue and Bissell street; 2 above at 6 a. m. at Broadway and Osage street; 8 above at 7 a. m., at Grand avenue and Hebert street, and 4 above at 8 a. m., at Delmar avenue and Skinker road.

The unofficial temperature readings in the county ranged from 4 below to 7 above at 8 a. m. At Olivette, a thermometer showed 4 below, Kirkwood zero, University City 2 above, Clayton 4, and Webster Groves 5.

COLD WAVE AND SNOW IS GENERAL

Freezing Temperatures Extend to Gulf States—Below Zero in North Plains Regions.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Colder weather throughout the East is forecast by the Weather Bureau for tonight and Tuesday. All through the Southern States, the great central valleys and the lake region today the temperatures were tumbling and in the upper Mississippi Valley and the North Plains region the mercury was below the zero mark. Cold wave warnings were sent throughout New England, New York, Delaware, Maryland and West Virginia. All South Atlantic and Gulf States, except Southern Florida, may expect freezing temperatures tonight.

Heavy snows fell in parts of New England, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio [illegible] the mountain districts of the Middle Atlantic States.

Blizzard gales along the Atlantic coast accompanied the snow and storm warnings are up again from Hatteras to Eastport.

The heaviest snowfall reported to the Weather Bureau headquarters was 15 inches at Oswego, N. Y.

Five Are Injured by Falls on Slippery Sidewalks.

Among those hurt on slippery sidewalks yesterday were Bartley Dyer of 3021 Magazine street, shoulder fractured; Joseph Gar of Vandeventer avenue and Gratiot street, right ankle fractured; Mrs. Carrie Liebman of 2202 Clark avenue, right wrist fractured; William Decker of 1324 Folsom avenue, bruises; Geneva Hayes, a negro, of 3963 Fairfax avenue, right leg fractured.

First Floating Ice on River Reaches St. Louis.

The first floating ice of the winter reached St. Louis at 2 o'clock this morning. The flow was not heavy, but it continued in increasing volume through the day. The appearance of the ice at 1 a. m. was noted from the wharf office of the Harbor Department and record made of it.

CONTRIBUTED "MOVE UP" SIGNS IN STREET CARS

Some of Those Posted in Front Vestibule Gives Name of the Writer.

In compliance with its recently announced policy of giving credit to volunteer writers of signs to be posted in the street cars, the United Railways Co. today displayed a number of these signs, some of which showed the name of the writer.

Different signs were shown on different lines. These will be interchanged so that all will be displayed on the various branches of the system.

The signs are posted in the front vestibule, where they are visible to all the passengers except those whose view is obstructed by straphangers. Those displayed today are:

COME THIS WAY.
The motorman likes to open the door.
—Contributed by O. M. Brooks.

WHY IS A STREET CAR
Like success in business?
Because few people go to the front.
—Contributed by A. P. Rochermich.

A STEP FORWARD IS A
Step in the right direction.
—Contributed by H. M. Duhring.

MOVE FORWARD.
Courtesy demands it,
And we would all appreciate it.
—Contributed by R. L. C.

THINK OF YOURSELF AS HE, NOT I,
Move up and let the other person by.
—Anonymous.

ST. LOUIS AND ST. LOUISANS
"To the Front."
—Anonymous.

Suggestions for signs are still pouring in, and Richard McCulloch, general manager of the United Railways Co., says all available ones will be used and the names of the writers made public.

WIND STARTS UNOCCUPIED AUTO

It Runs Into Tree Which James Hagerman Jr. Has to Cut Down.

James Hagerman Jr., former City Collector, who lives on the Clayton road in Hampton Park, left his automobile, a coupe, standing on a hilltop near his home yesterday afternoon while he got out to send home a dog which had followed him. The wind gave the machine a start, and it took a joy-jaunt down the hillside, running at length into a tree, which it broke.

The tree snapped in such a way as to hold the machine, and Hagerman had to go home and get an ax and saw and use them on the tree trunk before he could get the machine away. The front glass was smashed, but the engine and wheels were not damaged.

OFFERS $285 FOR LOST $785

Street Car Conductor Asks Finder to Return $500, Keep Rest.

H. R. Knight of 4535 Clayton avenue, a United Railways conductor, is advertising a reward of $285 for the return of $785, which he lost Saturday on a Market street car. He requests the finder to return $500 to him and keep the rest.

Knight had drawn the money from a bank and was starting downtown to place it in another bank when it disappeared. He was carrying it in two blue envelopes in his overcoat pocket. It consisted of $7 $20 bills, four $10 bills and one $5 bill. He had ridden only a few blocks when he felt in his pocket and discovered the money was gone. He had intended using part of it for purchasing a motor cycle.

To find sales for musical instruments, for automobiles and wagons, Post-Dispatch wants have no equal.

JUDGE DISMISSES "BARONESS BAB'S" $2,500,000 SUIT

Woman Who Sued "Jimmie" Hurley for Breach of Promise Failed to Appear.

ATTORNEY SENT MESSAGE

Said Plantiff Would Be Here Monday, but Court Refuses to Continue Action.

The record-smashing $2,500,000 breach of promise suit, filed a year ago against Michael J. Hurley of St. Louis by Ursula Barbara von Kalinowski ("Baroness Bab") of Wiesbaden, Germany, fizzled out in the Federal Court today when the "Baroness" and her New York attorney failed to appear and Judge Dyer literally threw the case out of court.

Big Crowd in Court.

Quite a crowd, attracted by the prominence of the breach of promise case, had gathered in the courtroom when Judge Dyer took the bench. The court was ready to proceed with the trial, having set this as the day at the request of the "Baroness'" attorney, George E. Fleming of New York.

Horace L. Dyer, a son of Judge Dyer, arose and read a telegram dated Dec. 11, which he said he had received from Fleming: "Plaintiff will be in St. Louis Monday to try case. I cannot be there," it read.

No Reason for Absence Given.

"The telegram doesn't give any reason for the plaintiff not being here," Judge Dyer remarked. "What do you think?" asked the Judge, addressing W. Christy Bryan, counsel for Hurley.

"I think the case ought to be dismissed," Bryan promptly replied.

Horace Dyer read another telegram, which he said he received prior to getting the one dated Dec. 11. In it Fleming had inquired when the case would come up, in the event the plaintiff would not be ready today. Dyer said he had replied that the case, in that event, would go over until the May or September term.

Judge Refuses to Continue Case.

Judge Dyer, in his characteristic gruff, deep voice, interrupted with:

"I won't continue this case. These people ought to be here." Then, turning to the court crier, he said: "Call this plaintiff, if you can pronounce her name."

The court crier did the best he could, and, to his credit, let it be said that he faltered only about 15 or so times in the three efforts he made to call for "Ursula Barbara von Kalinowski." The Baroness did not respond.

"This court is not here for the benefit of attorneys who live outside the city," Judge Dyer remarked. "I set this case for this man (Fleming) as an accommodation to an outside attorney, and I won't continue it any further. I dismiss this case for want of prosecution."

SCHOOLS COLD, 1200 SENT HOME

One Furnace Not Enough for Two East St. Louis Buildings.

Twelve hundred students of the East St. Louis High School and Horace Mann School were sent home this morning because the schoolhouses were too cold. The School Board is trying to heat both buildings with one furnace.

One room in the high school had a temperature of 23 degrees at 8 a. m. In the other rooms it was around the freezing point.

TRADING IN ALL STOCKS ON NEW YORK 'CHANGE TOMORROW

Clearing House Scheme to Be Withdrawn—Industrial and Railroad Issues Advance.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—An open market for all stocks on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange will be created tomorrow. This action was decided on this afternoon. It was voted to eliminate, beginning tomorrow, the so-called clearing house list and to place the stocks therein on the same basis of trading as the 182 issues already approved, and in which trading was resumed Saturday.

Both industrial and railroad shares traded in today, continued their upward trend. Business was brisk. The exchange will have a three-days' holiday Christmas. The governors voted to remain closed Dec. 26.

To sell trucks, direct attention to business partnerships and give information for good building lots, use Post-Dispatch Wants.

Talk About
Business Depression!

The Sunday POST-DISPATCH of yesterday, Dec. 13th, carried

427 columns

of **paid advertising**, while the Globe-Democrat and Republic, **combined**, carried

337 columns

This shows faith in business possibilities.

Note that the POST-DISPATCH **alone** carried **90 columns more** than the Globe-Democrat **and** Republic **added together.**

This also shows that the **merchants know where the results come from.**

That is why they do **more advertising** in the POST-DISPATCH **alone than in it two nearest competitors combined.**

This was the 402nd **consecutive Sunday** that the POST-DISPATCH **beat the other St. Louis Sunday newspapers** in the volume of business carried.

On 80 days thus far this year the POST-DISPATCH has equaled or exceeded all the other St. Louis papers combined on the same days in the volume of local merchants' display advertising carried.

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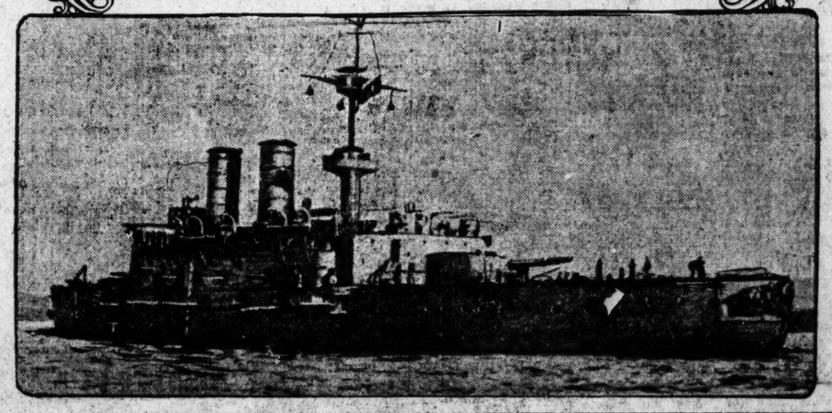

MAN'S ECCENTRIC HABIT MAY HAVE LED TO HIS DEATH

Police Tell How Thomas J. Ward, Who Was Shot, Liked to Startle Friends.

Detectives investigating the killing of Thomas J. Ward, 39 years old, of 1442 North Tenth street, in a hallway at Eighth and Carr streets, late Saturday night, are greatly puzzled by some features of the case. Capt. Schoppe of the Carr Street Station says he is convinced Ward's death was the result of an accident.

Ward is not known to have had any enemies. He never drank liquor and was not quarrelsome. He was shot at such close quarters that his head was marked with powder. This circumstance, together with the fact that, at the time he was shot, his right hand was in a pocket, leads Capt. Schoppe to believe death may have been due to one of Ward's eccentricities known to all his friends.

He had a habit of looking for approaching acquaintances and immediately lowering his head so as to avoid recognition. Then he would stop suddenly directly in the path of his acquaintance and either laugh loudly or try to look severe and threatening.

The Police Captain believes Ward may have mistaken someone for a friend and stopped him suddenly in this manner. His hand being in a pocket may have made the stranger think he was being held up.

It was several hours before Ward's body was identified by his wife. He was a brother of Martin Ward, who died Thanksgiving day, after he had been elected on the Democratic ticket to the Missouri House of Representatives.

Mrs. Ward told the police that when her husband left the house Saturday night he appeared cheerful and said he was going for a short walk. As he went out he said: "I will be back in just a few minutes."

Ward had been working in the postoffice until recently.

NEVADA'S CHIEF JUSTICE IS SUED FOR A DIVORCE

Judge Who Favored the So-Called 'Easy' Decree Law Is Accused of Cruelty.

RENO, Nev., Dec. 14.—Chief Justice Sweeney of the Supreme Court of Nevada, who has held that position six years, though he is now only 37 years old, and who has favored the maintenance of the so-called "easy divorce" law, has been sued for divorce, the petition alleging cruelty.

The wife's action has startled thousands of persons, for Justice Sweeney is one of the best known men in the State.

PART OF CHURCH AT KIRKWOOD, 51 YEARS OLD, BURNS

Volunteer Firemen Save Addition to Structure Despite Cold and Runaway Team.

The old portion of Grace Episcopal Church, at the corner of Main and Taylor avenues, Kirkwood, was destroyed by fire early this morning, but the volunteer firemen, after several exciting scenes, including the running away of the hose cart team, saved the recently built brick addition to the church.

Grace Church was erected 51 years ago and an addition was built about two years ago. The Rev. J. J. Wilkins is rector, and services were held Sunday evening as usual. The fire was discovered by Deputy Marshals Dintelmann and Wise.

Church Property Carried Out.

They were passing the church at 4:20 a. m., when they saw smoke coming from the roof of the church just at a point where the old and new buildings joined. They turned in an electric alarm, which is supposed to notify all 19 members of the volunteer department at their homes. For some reason the alarm did not work well, and Capt. William Donworth and three men found themselves obliged to take out the hose cart without other aid.

They had reached the church and dumped a portion of the hose upon the ground when the horses attached to the cart became excited and dashed away with several reels of hose. The animals raced about town for more than 15 minutes and then disappeared. More than an hour later they brought the hose cart back to their barn.

The Rev. Mr. Wilkins and a number of the vestrymen, including some of the prominent men of Kirkwood, worked hard carrying church property to the street. With the aid of Loraine F. Jones Jr., the rector saved the pulpit and prayer desk with books.

Other Buildings Were Threatened.

The cold kept the firemen in fear their hose might burst and when sparks began to fall upon the roofs of five frame houses to the east of the church they sent a call to Webster Groves.

It is believed that the fire was caused by a defective flue. The Rev. Mr. Wilkins says he is unable as yet to estimate the damage. The church cost $30,000 to build.

The rector made a public request that the newspapers extend the thanks of the church members for the splendid work done by the fire department men under severe trial.

Minister, Aged 105, Dies.

MIDDLEBURY, Vt., Dec. 14.—The Rev. Sedgwick W. Bidwell, Methodist minister, died yesterday at the age of 105 years. He celebrated his 100th anniversary Dec. 6, 1909, by delivering a sermon in the village church.

TURKISH BATTLESHIP SUNK IN DARDANELLES BY BRITISH SUBMARINE

B-11 Dives Under Five Rows of Mines to Torpedo Messudieh, Returns Safely.

SUBMERGED NINE HOURS; PURSUED BY DESTOYERS

German Cruiser Dresden Enters Punta Arenas, on Strait of Magellan, Uninjured—French Advance in Alsace and Demolish German Batteries Along the Aisne.

By Associated Press.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—A bulletin issued by the official bureau today announced that the Turkish battleship Messudieh had been torpedoed by a British submarine. The bureau's statement is as follows:

"Yesterday submarine B-11, in charge of Lieutenant-Commander Norman B. Holbrook of the royal navy, entered the Dardanelles and, in spite of the difficult current, dived under five rows of mines and torpedoed the Turkish battleship Messudieh, which was guarding the mine fields.

"Although pursued by gun fire and torpedo boats, the B-11 returned safely, after being submerged, on one occasion for nine hours.

"When last seen the Messudieh was sinking by the stern."

Lieutenant-Commander Holbrook of the submarine B11 is one of five brothers, all serving with the colors, the sons of Col. Arthur Holbrook, a newspaper owner of Portsmouth.

Russian guns have from time to time inflicted some damage on Turkish warships bombarding Russian ports but the disaster reported today robs the ports of its first big ship. The loss of life is not estimated in the brief announcement of the episode given out by the British admiralty, but, if the Messudieh was manned as other Turkish ships have been, there were a number of German officers on board.

It is presumed that the Messudieh was stationed somewhere in the 40 miles of the narrow passage. Of course, the base of the British submarine is unannounced. On both shores of the narrow strait are numerous forts and batteries. There is a double current in the strait, an upper current flowing from the Sea of Narmora and a lower current flowing from the Aegean Sea. By an agreement of the great Powers the strait is closed to non-Turkish vessels of war.

The Messudieh was built at Blackwall, England, in 1874, and reconstructed at Genoa in 1903. She was 332 feet long, 59 feet beam and of about 10,000 tons' burden. She had a speed of 17½ knots and her main battery consisted of two 9.2-inch guns in turrets and 12 six-inch guns in battery. In the war with Greece in 1912, the Messudieh was reported badly damaged in a battle in the Dardanelles. She carried a crew of 600 men.

Cruiser Dresden Enters Punta Arenas, 300 Miles From the Falkland Islands

By Associated Press.

VALPARAISO, Chile, Dec. 14.—Dispatches received here from Punta Arenas declare that the German cruiser Dresden has come into that port uninjured.

Argentine Government Hears Dresden Is at Punta Arenas.

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 14.—The Argentine Government has received word that the German cruiser Dresden has arrived at Punta Arenas, on the Strait of Magellan.

Dispatches from Buenos Aires Saturday reported that the Dresden was stranded at Puerto aGllegos.

Punta Arenas is approximately 300 miles from the Falkland Islands, near where, Tuesday last, the Dresden, with the German cruisers Scharnhorst, Gneisenau, Leipzig and Nurnberg, was engaged with the British squadron commanded by Vice-Admiral Sir Frederick Doveton Sturdee. At that time, according to the British official report, all the German ships except the Dresden were sunk.

Germans Repulse Attacks Between Meuse and Vosges.

BERLIN, Dec. 14, by wireless to London.— The official communication issued today by army headquarters says:

"Light attacks by the French on parts of our positions between the River Meuse and the Vosges Mountains were easily repulsed. Otherwise nothing of importance remains to be reported from the western theater of war.

"From East Prussia and Southern Poland there is nothing to report.

"In Northern Poland our operations are taking their normal course."

The Zeitung am Mittag publishes a dispatch saying that hostile aviators flew over the city of Freiburg, in the Grand Duchy of Baden, at 2 p. m. yesterday, throwing bombs. One bomb hit a house and did considerable damage. Two others fell in Columbia Park among a crowd of promenaders and two girls were injured.

(Freiburg is about 50 miles northeast of Belfort, France, and is an aviation station.)

French Advance in Alsace, Demolish Batteries Along Aisne.

PARIS, Dec. 14.—The War Office's official communique [illegible]

afternoon, read:

"There has been nothing of importance to report between the sea and the Oise.

"In the region of the Aisne, to the northwest of Soupir, the enemy bombarded violently our entrenchments. We replied and demolished his positions. There were no infantry attacks from one side or the other. Our artillery destroyed an important field work of the enemy in the vicinity of Ailles.

"In the Argonne, at the forest of Grurie, we have made slight progress by the use of mines. There were no attacks from the enemy.

"On the heights of the Meuse there has been violent cannonading.

"Batteries of the enemy would appear to have been moved to positions further north.

"In the Woevre, after having occupied a line of entrenchments along a front of 500 yards in the forest of Mortmare, our troops repulsed two violent counter attacks.

"In Alsace our advance has brought our front to a line that passes 425 yards to the north of Steinbach, thence to Pont d'Aspach and thence to Pont de Brinighoefen. The advance of the French line into Alsace would appear to have brought it to a point north of Altkirch and about 10 miles to the east of the frontier. 1300 yards to the west of Eglingen."

Russians Continue to Force Back Germans Near Mlawa.

PETROGRAD, Dec. 14.—The general staff has given out the following communication under date of Sunday:

"There has been no engagement of importance on any of the fronts. In the region of Mlawa (on the East Prussian frontier) we continue to force back the German troops, who are in retreat.

"On the left wing of the River Vistula there has been no change.

"In the region of Mount Buekla, Austrian columns are coming down the northern slope of the Carpathians."

Reports reaching here today from the front state that the operations of Russian forces north of Warsaw have been clinched by a wide swinging movement of the advancing Russian left on the main highway from Plock to Mlawa, concluding in a heavy cavalry engagement at Jurominetna, seven miles [illegible] Mlawa.

PICKED MEN QUIT TRENCHES; RESERVES HOLD 200-MILE LINE

Generals Joffre and French Will Spare Their Best Soldiers Until Spring, When Allies Hope to Send 4,000,000 Fresh Troops Against the Germans—Correspondent Describes Death-Like Desolation in Flanders.

By Mail From a Correspondent of the New York World and Post-Dispatch.

FURNES, Belgium, Dec. 3.—Four million allied soldiers are being made ready to attack the Germans in the spring. This is Kitchener, French and Joffre strategy.

In the meantime, both the allies and the Germans are hibernating along their 200-mile battle front. The picked men on each side, who for four months held the trenches, have been withdrawn, and in their stead less proficient reserve forces have been placed on the firing line—if firing line by comparison it still may be called. For, except the sporadic artillery duel that goes on night and day, there is little firing. The winter campaign is on, and these men of arms are resting on their guns. They are waiting for spring. And then this new allies' army of 4,000,000 men will hurl itself on the Germans in the hope of winning a sweeping, decisive victory. This army is to be ready by the end of February.

Of the French trenches I have seen since it turned cold and raw, most have been occupied by the older reserves and the territorial regiments, which spent the summer guarding railroads throughout France and keeping freight on the move. They have taken the place of excellent fighting men in France's first line of defense, who are now being reformed and rested, preparatory to the new training they are to get before being put into the field in the spring.

They make an army of nearly 1,000,000 picked troops as they stand, and to them 800,000 are now being added after three months' training. This does not take into consideration the class of 1915, the boys just taking up military service.

Gen. Joffre Sparing Men.

Speaking broadly, Gen. Joffre is obviously using as few of his best men in the trenches now as possible. Where the German troops opposite are picked men, naturally he must face them with men equally good. But the Germans have been substituting landwehr for crack troops along the greater part of the line, so Joffre can afford to do likewise.

One result of this change in the western fighting line is a much more tolerant spirit in the troops. Six weeks ago, when I was on the Aisne, there was a bitterness so intense that burying the dead or bringing in the wounded was impossible. No one was taking prisoners and no quarter was asked. War had reached its most savage state.

But now there are different men in the opposing trenches. They are mostly older men, with wives and children somewhere. They are not fighting for the sake of the fight. They can play their part and fight as hard as the young fellows when they are called upon to do it, but they would just as lief not. So now we begin to hear of local armistices and mutual agreements not to shoot at food trains.

To anyone who had seen only the early stages of the war the good faith of such arrangements would seem incredible. It would not be possible now between the men who faced each other in September and October. But those men are no longer facing each other, and rain and cold take the dash out of troops. Spending day after day in damp ditches and dugouts is the hardest work a soldier can be called upon to do, and the soldiers become more intent on keeping warm than killing the enemy.

Little Fighting Till Spring.

If I were to permit myself a broad guess as to what the campaign in France will be like this winter, I should say the official communiques five days out of six will report next to nothing going on. The allies are not likely to enter upon a vigorous aggressive campaign before spring, and the Germans are going to be too busy fighting Russia to send fresh troops to the west.

I doubt that Germany has withdrawn any appreciable portion of its western army, but it is also not adding to it. Evidently it is also keeping its best troops fit.

But whatever efforts it makes against France, it can hardly get far this winter, and in the spring it will have an entirely new situation to face.

Every time I have been along the battle line I have had my eye out for the new troops Kitchener is training. For a long time I wondered what he could be doing with them, but his policy is becoming obvious now. He is not risking them before they are seasoned. There have been times in the past weeks when it must have taken all his resolution not to send them in and take a chance on them holding their own. It must have been very hard for him to see his best troops, the pick of the English army, taking the terrible punishment they received on the Aisne and in Flanders. These were the men he had lived and fought with all his life. But under the pitiless necessity of meeting the German attacks with the fittest men, he has made them stand by themselves, a bare 100,000, now cut to less than half, while he went on training his 1,500,000 recruits.

Kitchener is the planner and Joffre as the strategist are now undoubtedly carrying out a plan for pushing the German army back to the Rhine next summer. I am not giving Germany information by saying so. It must be known in Berlin that they have a big campaign afoot. They are carrying on a purely defensive warfare, waiting their own time to strike. This means they will pick the battlefield and the day. They will have all the advantage of initiative.

Gen. Joffre's defensive methods meanwhile are merely receptive. His men keep as comfortable as may be in the trenches to guard against infantry attacks and over their heads their artillery keeps up a steady bombarding of the enemy's position, particularly the

I have been watching this strategy of Joffre's at various points on the French lines, and speaking merely from the point of view of an observer, I would much have preferred being where I was, on the French side. The French artillery fire does a thorough job. The Germans answer almost always with bigger guns, and if they get the range of a battery or a trench they cause a horrible slaughter in a small area, but the French search out every corner and keep up the fire everlastingly. The Germans are supposed to be the thorough race, but the French sweep the lines closer.

Unless Germany decides to force the situation and make another dash for some place, the fight this winter along nearly the whole of the line for over 200 miles is going to be an artillery duel, with the French coming out far ahead. It would be impossible to guess how many millions in ammunition it will cost the French, but it will be worth the cost and will be worth the crippling of the middle-aged French territorials if the line can be held where it is until spring.

The trenches they have in France are mostly on hilly country and well drained. By working shifts every few hours it can be done. The most unpleasant place is in Flanders. For a distance of 40 or 50 miles, reaching south from the sea, there is a stretch of flat country where it is difficult to keep dry feet, but the French territorials seem to be able to make themselves comfortable there. This is due to the practical construction of their trench shelters—which are susceptible of being closed into compartments every few feet—and the wooden shoes most of them wear.

I stuck my head into one of these recently on a very mean rainy day, and would have gone farther except for fear of creating some absurd suspicion of spying on the ever suspicious French.

The ground was damp, and that was not much relieved by the damp straw on it, but the wooden shoes of the four occupants were serving them very well. The shelter overhead leaked on them in only a few places. It was not the kind of place one would choose to be in, and if you had to stay there half an hour in ordinary clothes you would probably be chilled through; but the French territorials in it had on woollen underclothing of the thickness and texture of one of these blue flannel shirts worn by loggers without a coat in all kinds of weather. It was bleak and uncomfortable—about as cheerless and monotonous a surrounding as you could think of.

French Holding Whole Line.

When the territorials have weathered out this winter they will deserve an easy summer. They are running much smaller chances of being killed than the younger, better trained troops, however, and they would probably take their present job for choice. On the other hand, the best troops would go to pieces under the strain. So there we have Joffre's strategy again. He has put his men into the positions they would prefer to be, and he will come out in the spring with a fresh army fit to take the field. To it will be added Kitchener's million and a half men, then fully trained, and the 200,000 the Belgians expect to add to the allied army.

If no important change takes place in the Western theater of war, the allies will have a fresh army by February of nearly 4,000,000 men.

For the first time since the war began French troops are holding practically the whole of the first line of defense. From the North Sea to Switzerland, except in the inundated district in Belgium, French troops now have the hardest positions.

French troops, of course, have held most of the line from the beginning. The British expeditionary force has not been big enough at any time to hold more than a front of 25 miles and the Belgians have latterly been able to fill the trenches over an even shorter distance. This has left the French to do four-fifths of the defending.

For the last few weeks the English troops, which made a magnificent stand south of Ypres, have been withdrawn, and French troops, who are adapting themselves rapidly to trench life, are holding the forward positions. The Indian troops are about the only portion of the English forces right now directly under the German guns.

The inundated country along the Yser is as dead as if it had been in the withering course of a comet and at the same time it is alive with menace of sudden danger. As you go along through it you expect to be struck dead suddenly. It is the hush of a battlefield. The destruction by bullet and shell is all swallowed up by water except for the scattered farm houses which are torn into such fantastic shapes they look as if they had been struck by some preternatural force. The whole desolation of water rests under a blight.

I first came upon the flooded fields at Nieuport. That old Flemish town, which had been peacefully sleeping for several hundred years, looked as if it had been knocked about by some malign power that took a malicious joy in shaking it out of its complacency. The houses had been so badly crumpled they had slumped down, or poured out, into the streets. Though the streets are fairly wide for a Flemish town, there was only one that could be driven through, and that only with difficulty. The fact that no fires had been started added to the effect. Except for the ragged shell holes in wall and roof, and the thick peppering of rifle bullets, it might have been tumbled about by the enormous careless hand of some supernatural being.

There was not a soul in the town. In fact, there were not a dozen houses which had not been rendered uninhabitable. Under cover of one of its buildings, however, a battery of French guns was cracking the silence with timed regularity. There was something almost companionable and human about them in these surroundings. The Germans were answering, but irregularly, with much bigger guns, and their crashes split and rent the already torn houses.

We were in a waste of dark, still water, with thousands of men on both sides of us, any one of whom could have picked us off. If we could have seen them it would have been easier to bear. I know that all my nightmares are going to be concerned with the endless drive to Lombaertsyde. We drove the distance in less than 10 minutes, I am sure, but it seemed many hours.

Many of the Germans who had fallen in their trenches before the water crept up on them were still unburied. They were fighting with their heavy equipment, and it held them down even longer after death. Many Germans were weighted down by the bodies of their dead comrades and, too weak from loss of blood to help themselves, must have been slowly strangled by the rising water. Out there, looking down on these trenches covered with six or eight feet of water, you could not help thinking of them struggling, turning and twisting, to keep their heads clear, but drowned in the end.

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GOETHALS AGAIN SENDS A REQUEST FOR DESTROYERS

Reiterates That War Vessels Are Needed to Enforce Neutrality on Canal.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Col. Goethals, Governor of the Panama Canal zone, today reiterated his request that two torpedo boat destroyers be sent to canal zone waters to prevent violation of neutrality through the misuse of wireless and the taking on of supplies by belligerent vessels.

Because of the confidential nature of Col. Goethal's dispatch, Secretary Garrison declined to make it public. He issued this statement:

"The substance of the dispatch is that, in Col. Goethals' judgment, the misuse of radio communications within canal waters and the prevention of the misuse of these waters as a base of supplies, require the presence of swift-moving ships of the variety mentioned. Since the questions involved require the consideration of the State Department and the Navy Department as well as my own, I have taken the matter up with the other departments and as soon as the requirements are fully ascertained proper action will be taken to meet them."

The Lamson, Worden, Terry, Perkins and Walke are in reserve at Charleston, S. C., and one or more of these vessels could be dispatched to canal waters almost instantly. On the Pacific coast the nearest craft available are the Whipple, Paul Jones, Perry, Preble and Truxton, all lying off San Diego.

Secretary Garrison had asked Col. Goethals to explain his request for destroyers. The request for destroyers came as a surprise to officials as they had received no intimation that neutrality was being violated in the vicinity of the canal.

Secretary Daniels of the Navy Department prepared to order destroyers from Charleston or from the west coast of Mexico, according as Col. Goethals might indicate.

Destroyers have been stationed outside of the harbors of New York and San Francisco since the war began.

Canal Forts Ordered to Prevent Colliers From Staying Too Long.

PANAMA, Dec. 14.—Col. George W. Goethals, Governor of the canal zone, was impelled to suggest to the Government at Washington that two swift American torpedo boat destroyers be stationed at the Panama Canal, one at each end, by the recent activity of belligerent warships and colliers in the vicinity of the isthmian waterway.

The action of the Australian collier Mallina, which left Balboa without clearance papers, and the fact that this and other colliers have shown a disposition to disregard the canal zone shipping laws, actuated Col. Goethals to take a decisive measure to preserve in every way the neutrality of the canal.

Nearly all the colliers have gathered in canal waters arrived without health certificates, and in several instances the ships sailed without clearance papers. It is presumed that the steamers met and coaled the Australian and English fleet, which concentrated recently in the vicinity of the Pearl Islands, which lie 60 miles southeast of Panama City.

The United States torpedo boat destroyers requested by the Governor are expected to do patrol duty and to promptly overhaul any belligerent craft attempting to disregard the canal regulations.

Alleged violations of the canal shipping laws have, it is said, been the subject of complaint to Sir Claude C. Mallet, British Minister to Panama, and also have resulted in causing orders to be given the fortifications to prevent unneutral colliers remaining in ports of the canal zone in disregard of the orders of the canal authorities.

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Polish Member of Austrian Parliament Urges Separate Peace

LEMBERG, Galicia, Dec. 14.

M. MERUNOVITCH an influential member of the Polish delegation to the Austrian Parliament, has caused to be published in a Polish newspaper of Lemberg a request to Poles in court, diplomatic and Government circles at Vienna to exert all their influence toward obtaining an immediate conclusion of a separate peace agreement between Austria and Russia, without reference to Germany.

In his announcement, M. Merunovitch states that it is the sacred duty of the Polish aristocracy to take this step, in view of the future interests of Austria and Poland. He expresses the opinion that the present time offers a favorable opportunity for the conclusion of peace with honor for Austria.

NAVY PAYMASTER TELLS HOW TO WRITE IN SHIP-SHAPE WAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—An official list of "don'ts" for letter writers in the Navy Department has been compiled by Samuel McGowan, Paymaster-General. Here are some of the "don'ts:"

Don't write at all unless you have something to say; and, having said it, stop.

Don't answer a letter just because somebody else wants you to. If you did, many a purposeless correspondence might go on indefinitely.

Don't give reasons or explanations unless they are called for.

Don't write anything in a perfunctory way; remember always that each letter or indorsement should bear the impress of the writer's dignity, courtesy and intelligence.

Don't hesitate to say "no" if that is the proper answer; having said it, don't attempt to suggest an alternative aimed to circumvent your own "no."

Don't discuss people, discuss things. Don't write anything quarrelsome; it would probably not be signed.

Don't get excited; or, if you do, don't record the fact on paper.

Don't use long words when it can be helped (and it generally can).

Don't try to put a whole letter into the subject, leaving nothing at all to say under it.

CHORAL RALLY TOMORROW

Pageant Choral Society day and ladies' day combined will be observed at the City Club tomorrow, when several hundred ministers and their wives and many prominent St. Louisans will attend a luncheon at 1 o'clock. About 60 members of the chorus will give selections, under the direction of Frederick Fischer, conductor of the choral society. Brief speeches will be made by A. R. Bostwick, chairman of the day, and others.

The meeting is planned to arouse interest in the concert of the Pageant Society at the Odeon on Dec. 26, when the Messiah will be given, conducted by Fischer, with the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, a chorus of 200, and four prominent oratorio soloists.

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—From an official, whose knowledge of the situation is believed to be unquestionable, the Post-Dispatch learned last night that the last serious opposition to an increase in freight rates on the Eastern railroads was removed Saturday and the Interstate Commerce Commission formally voted to permit the 5 per cent advance.

Announcement of the decision will be made within 10 days, probably next Saturday afternoon. The commission's practice in the past has been to make public its rulings at such times, in order that business men may be given opportunity to digest them before the stock exchanges open again.

The Holidays

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WALKS 1300 MILES TO GET A TRAIN TO JOIN FRENCH NAVY

Reservist, Sailing, Tells of Perilous Trip Through Canadian Snows.

By Leased Wire From the New York Bureau of the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Fernand Tromeur, a hunter and fur collector, with a line of traps running 150 miles north of Fort Providence on the Mackenzie River in the far northwest of Canada, arrived in New York yesterday and sailed for France on the steamer Rochambeau. He is a reservist in the French navy and goes to join his ship. He is 29 years old.

So far away in the forests is Fort Providence that he did not hear of the war until it had been going on one and one-half months. Then he started afoot and walked most of the way, 1300 miles, he estimates, to the nearest railroad station. He told his story on the French line pier yesterday.

"I was born at Brest and served in the marine corps of the French navy," he said. "Eight years ago I went to Canada and became a fur trapper, buying my supplies of the Hudson Bay Co. and selling my furs to them. At Fort Providence, where the company has a trading station, there is a tribe of Indians whose chief's name is Peter Squirrel. The only other white men besides myself are the company's two or three agents.

Married Indian Chief's Daughter.

"I liked the life in the forest, got a Government lot, built a log house and established my line of traps. It is a wild, cold country, but there is good money there, and my brother-in-law last winter gathered $16,000 worth of furs and sold them, but in the spring he found himself $600 in debt to the company.

"Peter Squirrel has a daughter, Magdalene, the prettiest Indian girl in the province. I was lonely and far away from my people. She was good to look upon and bright and a good housekeeper. We were married a year ago. Then came word that my country was at war. I was far out on my line of traps and was making my way back to the cabin home, where I expected to find a baby when I arrived.

"Then with the call to home and fight ringing in my heart I fell ill in one of my huts on the trap line. My Indian assistant found me there. He came 75 miles along the route I should have covered to find me. He made me as comfortable as he could and set out for the Canadian Northwest mounted police post, 300 miles away, to come and look out for me, as I had inflammation of the lungs.

"A mounted policeman came, bringing an interpreter with him lest I could not speak English. Three days they doctored me, left medicines and went. But before they went they found a black fox in one of my traps and I gave it to the interpreter for his trouble. It was worth $600 to him. Then I set out for home. There my wife said that if my country called me I must go, though then of all times she needed my comfort and attention, alone in the forest as she was, and expecting the baby. With blankets, a gun, bannock bread, flour and dried moose meat I started up the Mackenzie River toward the south until I met voyagers paddling the way I wanted to go. They gave me lifts over some of the bad places, which I was grateful for, as I had 1700 miles to walk to get to the nearest railroad station. Their lifts made my walking trip only 1300 as I figure it out.

Joins Another Reservist.

"It was 600 miles of walking to Fort Chipewayan on Athabaska Lake. The ice closed the river, and I had to walk this, following the windings of the river to Great Slave Lake and then the Athabaska River to Fort Chipewayan.

"Here I found another Frenchman, Joseph Giraud, 30 years old, a voyager, who was on his way out to join the army in France. He also had heard of the war late and was anxious to get on. There Commander A. M. L. Muller of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police gave us documents, testifying that we were making every effort to reach our colors.

It was while at Fort Chipewayan that voyageurs, starting a day after I did, arrived with news that my wife had a fine, big son. I never felt so like turning back, but I came on with Giraud, discarding our guns and everything that we didn't need. At night we lay down on the snow, wrapped in blankets, with our feet to the fire and slept like tired dogs.

"With the river closed the raftsmen and voyageurs gone, we nearly wore ourselves out. One day when our meat and flour were all gone and with no gun, two moose calmly walked into camp and looked us over. But at last, by dint of fishing and trapping to live, we reached the little railroad station a hundred miles north of Edmonton and there took the first train. We were in Montreal Friday morning and got here today. Going across to France from here seems but a step or two after what we have been through. If I live I shall be back on the Mackenzie after the war, for I want to see that little fellow. My wife has taken him and gone home to her folks at Fort Smith, I expect. It is a wonderful country up there and once the lure of the trapper's life gets into your blood you will be drawn back to it in spite of yourself.

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WHITELAW FUNERAL TOMORROW

Member of First Board of Freeholders Was 67 Years Old.

Funeral services for Robert H. Whitelaw, 67 years old, a member of the first Board of Freeholders in St. Louis, who died at the Buckingham Hotel Saturday night, will be held at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the First Congregational Church at Delmar boulevard and Grand avenue.

He was a widower. His three children, Mrs. E. S. Wilson, Thomas Whitelaw and Robert M. Whitelaw, were with him when he died. For more than 25 years Whitelaw was connected with the firm of Whitelaw Brothers, dealers in paints, oils and drugs. He will be buried in Bellefontaine Cemetery.

Robber Strikes Woman.

Mrs. Agnes Carson of 3512 Page avenue was robbed of her bag containing spectacles and keys by a youth who accosted her as she was passing 3840 Page boulevard at 7:30 o'clock last night. When she attempted to regain her property the robber struck her in the face and ran.

Casualties Among British Officers Up to Nov. 30, 3466

Correspondence of the Associated Press.

LONDON, Dec. 8.

THE official officers' casualty list for the week ended Nov. 30 was made public today. It shows that in these seven days the British forces on the Continent lost 79 officers killed and 141 wounded and that 33 were reported missing. This gives a total of 253 for the week.

Added to the previous totals, the last report shows that since the outbreak of hostilities, Great Britain has had 986 officers killed and 1918 wounded, while 552 have been reported missing. The total of casualties of officers up to date is therefore 3456 men.

KAISER ABLE TO RETURN TO BATTLE LINE THIS WEEK

Emperor Shows Marked Improvement—Reported That Will Be Operated On

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 14.—William has made so much toward recovering his health grams received here from state that he will be able the capital this week for front.

Basel Hears Kaiser's Throat Operated On.

GENEVA, Switzerland, Dec. port reaches Basel from Emperor William will be obliged to undergo an operation of the his has sufficiently recovered present illness, which is not serious. The doctors, however consider that it would be inadvisable His Majesty to return to the front several weeks and he probably will spend Christmas at home.

Crown Prince Frederick William report from the capital says, has arrived in Berlin.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—A Reuter's Amsterdam says that, according to the German papers, the Imperial Chancellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, and Gen. von Kessel dined with the Kaiser Saturday.

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MEAT ON CHRISTMAS FRIDAY

Announcement was made by Archbishop Glennon today that Catholics of the archdiocese of St. Louis will be privileged to eat meat on Christmas day, one week from next Friday, in spite of the customary prohibition against eating meat on that day of the week. This privilege is usually extended in years when Christmas falls on Friday, it being considered that the high importance of Christmas in the church calendar overshadows the requirement for Friday fasting.

A similar ruling has been made in some years when St. Patrick's day fell on Friday.

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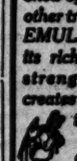

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CARRANZA TELLS WHY HE OPPOSES U. S. BORDER PLAN

Message to Washington Says Firing Over Boundary Would Aid Villa Troops.

"AMERICANS CARELESS"

Wounding of Arizona Citizens by Mexican Bullets Ascribed to "Imprudent Curiosity."

Villa to Educate 60 Orphan Children

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 14.

SIXTY little Mexican war orphans, whose fathers were killed in battle and whose mothers are dead or missing, left the capital today by train for Chihuahua City, to be cared for and educated at the expense of Gen. Villa, who is childless.

There are approximately 5000 war orphans in the capital alone, although many are not destitute.

For eight months Villa has been supporting and educating 16 orphaned youths from Chihuahua in the United States. Mrs. Villa is caring for a large number of orphaned girls in Chihuahua.

By Associated Press

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Gen. Carranza, through Consul Canada at Vera Cruz, today formally advised the State Department that any use of force by the American troops at Naco, Ariz., in their efforts to keep Mexican bullets from American soil will be considered an act of hostility, however well disposed the Government may be." This agrees with the General's statement at Vera Cruz on Saturday.

Reiterating his previous statements, Carranza says Gen. Hill has controlled his fire and that he is sending instructions anew to the Sonora commander to avoid any firing that would endanger those across the American border.

He deplores that Americans have been killed and wounded, but suggests that these accidents have been due to carelessness on the part of Americans, or "impudent curiosity," and cites similar occurrences when Madero beseiged Juarez and Americans endangered their lives by seeking points of vantage in El Paso from which to view the fighting.

Finally he points out that the position of Hill's troops, who are stationed with their backs to the American frontier, is such that it would be impossible for their fire to enter American territory, and that consequently any shots from the American side would be a direct aid to the Villa forces.

Woman Is 52d Person Wounded by Stray Mexican Bullets.

NACO, Ariz., Dec. 14.—Mexican "stray fire" increased the casualty list on the American side to 52 yesterday. Mrs. Jose Martinez was hit in the back by a bullet which crossed the border and pierced the wall of her home. The siege of Naco continues with its accompanying shower of Mexican shot and shell.

The reported order from Provisional President Gutierrez for Gov. Maytorena, the Villa commander, besieging Hill's Carranza troops in Mexican Naco, to cease his attacks if they endanger Americans, is still reported "not received."

Gen. Villa and Staff Move to Chihuahua.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 14.—Gen. Villa and staff arrived yesterday at Chihuahua City. Villa was accompanied by George C. Carrothers, the American State Department representative. It is believed Villa is hastening troops to Torreon to meet Carranza forces advancing from Saltillo and Monterey, while Zapata is moving against other Carranza troops at Puebla, in the South.

APPEAL TAKEN IN EXCESS FARE RESTITUTION SUIT

Attorney-General Says Holding of Judge Davis Would Bar All From Recovery.

JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 14.—Attorney-General Barker today appealed to the Supreme Court from the decision of Judge Samuel Davis at Marshall, in which Davis sustained a demurrer to Barker's $2,000,000 blanket suit against the Chicago & Alton Railroad for the return of excess passenger fares and freight charges collected pending the litigation of the new rate law.

If Judge Davis' holding should be sustained, Barker declares no citizen will be able to recover 1 cent excess charges collected by the railroads. Judge Davis held that inasmuch as there was no bond required when the injunction was granted in 1907, there can be no recovery for any shipper or passenger because there was no bond.

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THE DAY IN CONGRESS.

SENATE.

Independent coal operators continued their complaint of rate discrimination in Southern territory before a subcommittee.

Hearings were continued on the water-power site land leasing bill.

The Philippine Committee began hearings on the bill for ultimate independence of the islands.

HOUSE.

Secretary Daniels continued his testimony before the Naval Committee.

The legislative, executive, judicial and postal appropriation bills were brought in.

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Kansas City Girl Accused of Forgeries Totaling $7000

MISS LAURA CATHERMAN.

GIRL HELD AS A FORGER PUZZLES HOSPITAL DOCTORS

Laura Catherman Talks More Coherently, but Still Makes No Explanation.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 14.—Miss Laura Catherman, accused of $7000 forgeries, whose condition has been a puzzle to physicians at the General Hospital, was improved today and she talked more coherently than at any time since her arrest last Wednesday. She has been hysterical much of the time and has made no explanation.

The police have concluded Miss Catherman has no money hidden in any Kansas City bank. Detectives now believe she disposed of money she is accused of obtaining as she acquired it.

Another story of the young woman's skill was disclosed today. Checks she is accused of drawing on the account of G. F. Sanders to the Kahn Clothing Co. are said to be so perfect a signature that at first inspection Sanders acknowledged it himself.

WONDERFUL BUT TRUE

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Foreclosure on Woman's Temple.

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.—The Woman's Temple, erected by nation-wide women's subscription as a memorial to Frances Willard, is no longer the property of the Women's Christian Temperance Union. Trustees of the Field Museum foreclosed a mortgage as the result of the nonpayment of the ground rent and the default on $30,000 interest on $600,000 bonds.

The Home Doctor

(Clip out and save)

How to Cure Rheumatism

Here is a prescription for rheumatism (to be mixed at home) used all over the U. S. for many years and said to be the surest known remedy: neutralizes acid in the blood and gives results after first dose. "One ounce of Toris compound and one ounce syrup of Sarsaparilla. Put these two ingredients in half pint of whiskey. Use a tablespoonful before each meal and at bedtime." Get ingredients at any drug store. Genuine Toris comes in one-ounce sealed yellow packages.

Surest for Coughs and Colds

Don't experiment on a bad cough or cold, it is very risky. The following formula, easily mixed at home, makes one of the surest and quickest cough and cold remedies obtainable, often curing the worst cough or cold in a day. Pine as medicine is as old as the Bible, but here is best form: "Two ounces of Glycerine and half an ounce of Globe Pine Compound (Concentrated Pine); add these to half pint of whiskey. Use a teaspoonful frequently as required. (Smaller doses to children.) Be sure to get the genuine Globe Pine Compound (Concentrated Pine). It is put up only in half-ounce bottles each, enclosed in a screw-top can.

Sore Feet, Corns and Callouses

Don't endure foot agony. Here is a remedy that knocks all foot troubles in a hurry; it works through the pores, removing the cause: "Two tablespoonfuls of Calocide compound in warm foot bath." Gives instant relief for aching and sweaty feet; corns and callouses can be peeled right off. Specially effective for sore bunions and frost bites. Large box of Calocide twenty-five cents at any drug store.

The above recipes published by the Medical Formula laboratories, Dayton, O.

UNION ELECTRIC HEREAFTER WON'T REQUIRE DEPOSIT

Company Drops Policy of Demanding Guarantee; to Return Consumers' Money.

The Union Electric Light and Power Co. announced today that it had discontinued the practice of requiring a deposit from residence consumers as a guarantee that the monthly bills would be paid. The company will immediately refund to consumers all the money they have on deposit.

It has been the practice of the electric light company to require a deposit of $5 and in some cases $10. This money was left on deposit with the company as long as the consumer remained a customer. Interest was paid at the rate of 4 per cent formerly and recently at the rate of 6 per cent.

The deposit, as a rule, were exacted from renters, the owners of property generally being exempt. The company recently made an investigation to determine whether it was necessary to continue the policy of requiring deposits. The investigation showed that in certain districts where people of small means lived the monthly bills averaged 97 cents. In some neighborhoods the average was $1.15, $2 and higher.

The company came to the conclusion, it was announced, that any person who was able to rent a house ought to be good for his electric light bill and that it would take a chance on him.

IDENTIFIES SUSPECTED ROBBER BY HIS VOICE

Kirkwood Man Recognizes Nasal Twang and Prisoner Is Said to Have Confessed.

P. L. Watson of 217 East Main street, Kirkwood, identified a highwayman suspect by his voice at Police Headquarters today. When John Huer, at the orders of a police official, said "Stick him up, Jack," the words used when Watson was being robbed two weeks ago, he exclaimed, "Thats' the man." Huer then, the police say, admitted he and another man had robbed Watson. He gave the police the name of his companion and they are looking for him.

Watson was on Westminster place in the 4600 block on the night of Nov. 28 when he was confronted by two men. One pointed a revolver at him and the other went behind him to search him. This man moved too slowly to suit the one with the revolver. "Stick him up, Jack," he commanded, in a peculiar nasal voice.

The one thus admonished took Watson's watch and some money. The pawning of the watch, bearing Watson's initials, by Huer, resulted in his arrest.

UNLUCKY, HE INHERITS $180,000

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—"Just my luck," groaned Lawrence R. Brooks, a young lawyer and clerk of the Yonkers City Court, when, while seeking to serve some law papers the other day, he tripped and fell down a gloomy stairway and broke his wrist.

But yesterday he got a letter from Rio Grande City, Tex., informing him that an aunt, Mrs. Anna Brooks Kelsel, who died recently, had, in her will, bequeathed him 8000 acres of Texas land, with some ranch buildings, the land being worth $20 an acre and the buildings an additional $20,000, making his windfall figure at $180,000.

The Post-Dispatch is the only evening newspaper in St. Louis that receives or publishes news gathered by the Associated Press.

LOCKED UP SHE ESCAPES BY COAL CHUTE TO MARRY

Young Cuban Girl in Cedar Rapids Accuses Family of Conspiracy.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Io., Dec. 14.—A love affair which began in Cuba two years ago between Senorita Navitdad Custin, 18, daughter of Joapin Custin, a wealthy planter of Havana, and Frank Navarro, 19, son of a Havana lawyer, will result in their marriage in this city today or tomorrow. Navarro left here last Thursday for New York, after a meeting with Herman Custin, brother of the young woman, but is returning, the fiancee says, and a marriage license has been issued.

Miss Custin came here with her sister, Luise, last summer. She charges her father and brother with attempting to prevent her marriage. She accused society women here of trying to influence her, and says two doctors were sent to her home to examine her mental condition.

Escaped From Apartment.

She escaped from her sister's apartment recently and took refuge in the home of the Chief of Police. She says her brother threatened to have her sent to a home for young women if she did not give up Navarro.

"My father came to Cedar Rapids to see me," she said, "and asked me if I had not forgotten Frank Navarro. I informed him that absence made my heart fonder. I reminded him of his promise when I left Havana that if I would come to this city on a visit and did not forget my sweetheart I would be permitted to marry him. I begged my father to take me back to Havana. He refused, and informed me he had made the promise only to get me to come to Cedar Rapids.

"Then I determined Frank should come and I managed to smuggle him a letter. I went to meet him at the station and there met a detective. He informed me while my sister Luise and several society women of this city were talking with me and trying to persuade me to return to our apartments, that I would have to go to police headquarters. I was placed in an automobile, but instead of being taken to police headquarters, I was taken to our apartments where my clothing was taken from me. My keys were hidden and I was kept a prisoner.

Fled in Summer Attire.

"I called up the Chief of Police and demanded protection, which he promised me, and in summer attire I escaped from the room, climbed through the coal chute and went to the police station, and have been under the care of Chief Burgin since.

"When Mr. Navarro arrived he was met by my brother and the detective. My brother, instead of telling Mr. Navarro that I had returned to my apartments, said I had left the city. He and Frank went to New oYrk.

"The detective informed me that he was offered a large sum of money if he could prevent the wedding. I hope my father will forgive me, but if he does not it will be all the same. I shall marry Frank and we shall return to Havana to live."

OaKes Delicious Bakery Goods. All kinds reasonably priced. Take some home today. Free downtown delivery. 512 Locust.

$210,000 Fire in Alaska.

SKAGWAY, Alaska, Dec. 14.—Fire last night destroyed the Moores wharf, together with all the warehouse buildings except the ore bunkers and chutes. The loss is estimated at $210,000.

KRATZ ACCUSED IN BRIBERY OFFER IS UP FOR TRIAL

Republican Politician and Saloon Man Was Indicted With L. A. Holdenried.

The case of John Kratz, Republican politician and proprietor of the Falstaff Inn, 11 North Sixth street, on a charge of attempting to bribe Henry Klug, member of the House of Delegates for the Tenth Ward, was called for trial in Judge Hennings' court today.

Leonard A. Holdenried, a wall paper dealer of 3006 South Jefferson avenue, who is under indictment on the same charge, will be one of the principal witnesses for the State.

Kratz was indicted March 1 last, it being alleged that on May 23, 1913, he attempted to bribe Klug to vote for a bill to provide an increase of 10 cents in the tax rate for the purpose of building a wagon roadway over the free bridge.

Mayor Had Vetoed Bill.

This bill, which was backed by Jeptha D. Howe's Southern Traction Co. of Illinois, had been vetoed by Mayor Kiel and was then up in the Municipal Assembly for passage over the Mayor's veto. Only a few votes in the House of Delegates were needed to make it a law.

The indictment of Kratz followed a deposition made by Holdenried, who said that on May 23, 1913, he was in Kratz's saloon, when Kratz approached him and asked if he knew Delegate Klug. He said he did. Then, according to his deposition, Kratz instructed him to get Klug and bring him to the saloon.

Holdenried said he found Klug and told him there was $500 in it for him if he would vote for the tax increase bill. He testified he and Klug went to Kratz's saloon, but that no money was paid to Klug there.

Klug to Be Witness.

Klug also will be a witness for the State. Others summoned to appear against Kratz are John Schmoll, chairman of the Republican City Committee; George Melsinger, Republican Committeeman for the Tenth Ward; James B. Conroy, clerk of the House of Delegates; David W. Voyles, clerk of the City Council; Martin R. H. Witter, City Register; Charles R. Graves, Circuit Clerk; William H. Wilkner, 2300 Pestalozzi street; Z. J. Surine, 2723A Osage street; Otto M. Hinze, 2601 Cherokee street; Gustav Vilm, 2738 Charlton street, and Frank Zykan, 3002 Ohio avenue.

Witnesses summoned for the defense are Charles Kludas, 2111 Cherokee street; Otto F. Karbe, Carleton Building; Dr. L. E. Lehmberg, former City Councilman; William Cuba, 3251 Morganford road; William Welkner, 2857 Missouri avenue, and E. E. Guion, 3112 Oak Hill avenue.

Cleveland A. Newton and H. A. Rosskopf, former Assistant Circuit Attorneys, are counsel for Kratz.

Judge Hennings' duties at the Juvenile Court kept him there until 11 a. m. He then ordered that the Kratz case be continued until 10 a. m. tomorrow.

CORPORATION LAWYER DEAD

David Kelso a Former Missouri Pacific Attorney in Kansas.

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, Mo., Dec. 14.—David Kelso of Oswego, Kan., a corporation attorney, died here today. He was 75 years old.

Until recent years Kelso was general attorney in Kansas for both the Missouri Pacific and the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway. He served two terms in the State Legislature as a Republican.

WAR MOVIES SHOW REALISTIC SCENES OF ACTUAL BATTLES

Large Crowds View Picture Being Shown at Garrick for Benefit of Christmas Festival and Belgian Relief Fund.

THE Garrick Theater was filled yesterday afternoon and evening, during the continuous production of the European war moving pictures, shown for the benefit of the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival. The pictures will be shown through this week, from 11 a. m. to 11 p. m. daily, and admission to all parts of the house will be 25 cents.

These pictures were made on Belgian battlefields, and in the towns and cities of Belgium, by Edwin F. Weigle, staff photographer of the Chicago Tribune, under a contract with the Belgian Government. By the terms of this contract, the Tribune pays to the Belgian relief fund a portion of its receipts for rental of the films.

The first impression one gets from the pictures is their clearness and distinctness. This is preserved throughout, even in places where the smoke and dust of battle would seem to make motion-photography almost a hopeless task. The next, and the most lasting impression, is the genuineness of the scenes.

Not once, in the pictures of battlefields and ruined cities, does anyone give the slightest indication of posing before the camera. The business on hand was too real and too urgent for anything of the sort. If any consciousness of being photographed is shown, it is by the big, shaggy dogs which form so important a part of Belgium's motive power in peace and in war, and which are shown drawing machine guns.

Everyone Was Moving.

Truly "motion" pictures are these, for no one was standing still when they were taken. Everyone was in motion, the soldiers to the front, the populace, still precipitately, to the rear and to the border.

Only once are Belgian troops shown in retreat. A retreating artillery company is shown moving through the streets of Termonde, but the retreat is not a precipitate one. And in the advances the men do not hurl themselves impetuously toward the foe, as men do in the make-believe of posed war scenes. Self-preservation is perhaps not the first law of war, but it is not forgotten, and the men are shown taking every precaution made possible by forestry and by intrenchments, while at the same time sticking to the main purpose of holding the enemy back.

The climax of the fighting scenes is reached in the reel showing the defense of an outpost of Antwerp. There men are distinctly seen to fall, killed or wounded by German bullets. There is no wild, dramatic staggering back and tossing about of limbs and weapons. The man falls sidewise or slips forward on his face, and a moment later his comrades carry him to the rear. The bravery of Red Cross workers, some of them priests in their cassocks, is shown in these battle scenes, where they are almost on the firing line.

Cutting of Dikes Shown.

Even more impressive than the blotting out of human lives is the effacement of Belgium's soil, in the districts where, to drown and drive out the invaders, the authorities destroyed the dikes and let in the water. That in the most densely populated nation of Europe, this hard-won and almost priceless land should be given back to the sea and its tributaries, shows the desperate character of the resistance made by King Albert's Government.

The ruined homes, stores and churches of Termonde, Malines, Alost and other cities and towns are no less eloquent in their demonstration of the horror and barbarity of warfare. Such pictures are enough to make a pacifist—almost a peace-at-any-pricer—of anyone.

"The Terror of Flight."

The departure of Antwerp's people over a pontoon bridge spanning the Scheldt, by which the Belgian and British forces later escaped, and the retreat of civilians from other places to the Dutch border, are shown in pictures which lose none of the "terror of flight." A piteous pageant, some pushing wheelbarrows, some carrying sacks, others driving a cow or two, moves to the channel, to Holland, anywhere away from the dreadful shells.

Wounded German soldiers appear in some of the views, with Belgians helping them to walk, and apparently giving them every attention that was given to Belgium's own wounded.

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DUTCH STEAMER STRANDED, 34 OF CREW SAID TO BE LOST

Steamer Bound From Amsterdam to Buenos Ayres Ashore Near Leixes, Portugal.

OPORTO, via London, Dec. 14.—Advices received here regarding the stranding of the Dutch steamer Bogor, said to be ashore near Leixes, on the Portuguese coast, state that 34 members of the crew of 38 were drowned. Several bodies have been washed ashore from the ship, which has broken into three parts and is a total loss.

The ship was bound from Amsterdam to Buenos Aires.

The Bogor, which belonged to the Rotterdamsche-Lloyd Line, was of 3821 tons and was built in Hamburg.

$18,000 DUE FROM HIM TO ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ABT SAY

East St. Louisan, Former Treasurer, Says He Will Pay Amount, Whatever It Is.

An investigation, to be made this week by the Salaries and Reports Committee of the Board of Supervisors of St. Clair County, Ill., will show the exact amount of county funds which must be paid over by Paul W. Abt of East St. Louis, former County Treasurer, to his successor. The new Treasurer, Fred Warning, of Edgemont, took office last Tuesday, but as was told in yesterday's Post-Dispatch, he has not received the funds and has refused to give Abt a receipt until the exact condition of the treasury has been established by official inquiry.

Abt, who visited the courthouse in Belleville this morning, told a Post-Dispatch reporter he thought his estimate quoted yesterady of $18,000 due to the county, was about correct. Herman Pfuhl, chief clerk in the Treasurer's office, said the amount would, in his opinion, be between $30,000 and $35,000.

Abt Explains Account.

Abt said he was misunderstood by reporters Saturday night, and that he did not intend to give the impression that, as was stated yesterday, he had placed county funds to his personal banking account. What he meant to say, he explained, was that he had placed some of the funds to his credit as County Treasurer, and some to his account as collector of special taxes, which office he also held.

When asked how much the county now has in banks, Abt made no direct reply, but said, "Whatever is to be paid over, I'll pay."

Chief Clerk Pfuhl, who has been retained for a time by the new Treasurer, said he did not tell Warning or anyone else that there would be a discrepancy in the Treasurer's accounts. He said the office was behind in the posting of the books, and that this had caused a delay in turning over the funds to the new Treasurer. The auditing of the books, by a committee from the Board of Supervisors, is a regular proceeding, he said, every two years.

Funds in Different Banks.

Pfuhl said the difficulty of ascertaining the exact financial standing of the county was increased by the fact that the Treasurer handled a number of different funds. The funds are carried in a number of banks, he said, some in Belleville, and some in East St. Louis, and some of the banking is done by the Treasurer and some by himself.

Abt's bond as Treasurer was for $2[illegible],000, and was signed by George C. Fiegler, H. C. Fairbrother, C. B. Goeddel, V. Joyce and H. J. de Haan as personal sureties.

Stove, Range and Furnace Repairs. A. G. Brauer Supply Co., 316 N. 3d st.

$1,000,000 to Fight Stock Disease.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—An emergency appropriation of $1,000,000 for fighting the foot and mouth disease was passed today by the Senate.

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French Speaker Is Injured.
PARIS, Dec. 14.—Paul Deschanel, Speaker of the French Chamber of Deputies, was injured on the head yesterday in an automobile accident at Nogent Le Rotrou, in the French Department of Eure Et Loir.

New Zealand Parliament Tie Broken.
WELLINGTON, New Zealand, Dec. 14.—Complete returns in the parliamentary elections held last week break the threatened tie and give the Government 41 seats to 39 for the opposition.

Will Yours Be One of Them?
Not a day passes that thousands of widows do not thank God for life insurance. Let's talk it over? G. W. Taylor, New York Life Insurance Co., 700 Dolph Bldg., St. Louis, Mo.

Tuesday **Garland's** Tomorrow

Pre-Xmas Suit Clearance

We're not going to wait till after Christmas. We're going to start right in now—tomorrow—with certain lines. Here's your opportunity to buy before Xmas at after-Xmas prices. Buy now when assortments are still good and have your suit for the holiday festivities.

$15.00 and $19.95
Silk-Lined Suits
For $6.00

Suits with style and fit in every line. Suits that are practical and serviceable as well as stylish. Jaunty short models, semi fancy and tailored. Materials are serge, poplin, cheviot and worsteds; colors are blue, green, brown and black; all sizes.

Up to $35 Suits at
$10.00 and $15.00

Fur-trimmed Broadcloth Suits; others with velvet revers and collars; short or long coat styles; Redingote and Cossack models. All the popular materials and favorite colors are represented.

Coat Clear-away
(Fourth Floor.)

In this department, too, we are going to make it an advance clearance of certain lines in which we are overstocked.

$10, $12.50 and $15 Coats for

$5.00

This lot consists of something over 400 Coats, in 25 or more styles. Made of mixtures, wales, cheviots, boucles, plaids and zibeline. Belted and flare models, cape coats, belted backs, wide collars, huge pockets, cuffs, etc. A really wonderful array of style and quality, at so small a price, $5.00.

Smart, Practical Coats at $10, $15 & $25

Plushes and Broadtail, imported mixtures and plaids; some with luxurious fur collars. All full, guaranteed satin lined.

Evening Dresses in Bargain Annex

75 Evening Dresses, Worth Up to $16.50 for $3.90

87 Evening Dresses, Worth Up to $25.00 for $7.98

Silks, crinkled silk crepe, meteor, chiffon, lace, charmeuse. Only one or two of a kind—some are slightly soiled, but a little dry cleaning, the kind you can do at home yourself, will make them like new. None on approval; none taken back for credit or exchanged. (Bargain Annex, Second Floor.)

Two Rousing Fur Specials

$5.00 and $7.50 French Coney Shawl Collars
Black or brown; various sizes; tail or tassel trimmed; choice, Tuesday $1.98

$10.00 and $15.00 Marmot, Coney Wolverine and Natural Wool Colors
Many sizes and shapes, both medium and large; are perfect collars; choice for quick clean-out $3.98

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11 DAYS MORE TO RAISE CHRISTMAS FUND TO $10,000

Total of the Contributions to the Post-Dispatch Festival Fund Is Now $1768.

WHERE TO APPLY FOR CARDS FOR CHRISTMAS BASKETS

Christmas baskets will be given by the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival Fund ONLY ON CARDS SIGNED BY MEMBERS OF THE BASKET DISTRIBUTING COMMITTEE THROUGH THE FOLLOWING NAMED INSTITUTIONS:

St. Vincent de Paul Society, 413 South Fourteenth street.
Salvation Army, Fullerton Building.
Boyle Memorial Center, 516 North Eleventh street.
Guardian Angel Settlement, 1029 Marion street.
Provident Association, 2231 Locust street.
Centenary M. E. Church, Sixteenth and Pine streets.
Missouri Association for the Blind, Metropolitan Building.
Markham Memorial Church, Menard and Julia.
Niedringhaus Memorial Church, Seventh and Cass avenue.
Christ Church Cathedral, 1210 Locust street.
King's Daughters, 5958 Kingsbury avenue.
Neighborhood Association, 817 North Nineteenth street.
Union Mission, 2947 Morgan street.
Curby Memorial, Urah and Texas.
Greeley Memorial Church, Blair and Warren.
Victor Street Mission, 815 Victor street, 8 to 9 a. m. and 1 to 2 p. m.
Wayman Free Clinic (Colored), 1413 Lucas avenue.

All requests for baskets should be made through one of the above named institutions. The requests will be sent to the Basket Distributing Committee, which will undertake to see that all who should have a Christmas basket will get it. A postal card will be sent in due time to all whose names have been recommended by the committee. Applications should be filed at the above stations not later than Friday, Dec. 19, at 5 o'clock.

If you turn to the editorial page you will see a cartoon which may interest you. When Christmas day comes you will have a feast and all of your family will have gifts. Then you will be glad to know that not only the children of your neighbors but all the children of St. Louis have a share in the Christmas feast and Christmas gifts.

At the present moment there is just a little if standing in the way of that widespread Christmas hospitality—if the snowball of contributions grows large enough by the time it reaches Santa Claus and the army of 10,000 to 15,000 children of the poor.

The Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival Fund must grow like a snowball, rolling down a long, steep hill in the 11 days which remain between today and the lighting of the Christmas tree in the Coliseum. It must be swelled from today's total of $1768.10 to $10,000. It is up to YOU.

Toys to Be Paid For.

There is the food that goes in the baskets which the Christmas Festival Association sends to homes of the poor for the family feast to pay for. There are toys and other gifts from the Coliseum tree to be paid for. There is the dinner for the homeless men to be paid for. There are other expenses to be met.

Unless you help to swell the fund, how can you be sure that some of the poor—some of the children—are not left out of the great community festival? Unless you help how can you enjoy the plenty of your own home and your own children's delight?

There is only one way to be happy on Christmas day—by unselfishly helping to make everybody happy.

Five Traveling Men's Gift.

Five traveling men met somewhere on the road. They talked of homes and families. They talked of Christmas and the poor. Trade was not very good for any of them, but each put a dollar in a pool to be sent to the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival Fund. It came with no other message than that it was contributed by Five Traveling Men.

There are lots of good fellows like that on the road. There are lots of good fellows in the city who would be glad to help the cause if they realized what the need is.

Think of that army of children—10,000 to 15,000 of them—waiting and watching the snowball of contributions rolling down hill to Santa Claus and hoping that it will be large enough to give everyone a gift and everyone a feast.

THE ART OF WINNING A HEART lies in giving her a genuine diamond ring for Christmas, from Loftis Bros. & Co., the National Credit Jewelers, 2d floor. 208 N. 6th.

Woman Arrested, Sent to Hospital.

Mrs. Eudora Crouch, 28, of 1831 Olive street, who was arrested in the Famous & Barr Co. store on Saturday with a set of furs valued at $38, was sent today to the city hospital for treatment for morphine.

For Cold Storage in Your Basement.
Get a concrete vegetable or wine vault. See Mincke Monolithic Products Co. Bell phone.

One Minute Toothache Stick
Stops toothache quick. All druggists, 10c.

$5000 Job Seeks the Man.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The city of New York has need of a $5000-a-year man for director of the Bureau of Public Health and is advertising that the place will be filled by competitive examination to be held Dec. 30.

Plows special, 3 lbs. fine candy, $1. Candies, 15c pound up. 521 Olive.

$1.98 to $2.50 Axminster and French Wilton Velvet Rugs, Size 27x54
Just 42 of these most desirable and beautiful Rugs, in pretty designs, will be sold at actually less than cost Tuesday, at (Fourth Floor) $1.00

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$4.50 Wool Blanket
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36 GIFTY REASONS
WHY YOU SHOULD BUY HERE TOMORROW

$1.50 Girls' Worsted Dresses
Several styles, in large plaids, stripes and plain colors; long-waisted styles; gored or two-tier skirts; sizes 6 to 14 (3d Fl.)... 85c

$1 French Briar Pipes

Heavy French Briar Pipes, in straight or curved stems; each in a plush case; special (Main Floor) 49c

50c Dresser Scarfs
18x50 in. Union Linen Scarfs with one or two rows drawnwork (Second Floor)... 31c

Men's $4.00 Lounging Robes

Made of genuine Beacon Blanket Cloth; in gray, brown and blue mixtures; $4. values (Second Floor). $2.50

50c Silk Hose

Women's 50c Silk Hose; double sole, high spliced heels; black and colors (Main Floor). 23c

Children's Flannelette Petticoats
In solid white and stripes; size 1 to 6 years; with waist; 6 to 12 years without; 25 value (Second Floor)... 19c

Women's Juliettes

Felt Juliettes; fur trimmed and low heel; a very acceptable present; (Main Floor). 69c

Boys' $4 Overcoats
Come in gray chinchilla, with belted back all around; full cut; in all sizes; an ideal Christmas present for any boy; for Tuesday's selling, only... $2.75
Second Floor.

98c Auto Veils, 49c
In all colors; lace and chiffon; ½ to one yards wide and two yards long; regular 98c Veils; Tuesday (Main Fl., Aisle 5)... 49c

$1 Watches

Men's $1 Watch, in heavy trimmed nickel case; will keep perfect time; extra special (Furnishing Dept.) 55c

Women's $1.50 Italian Silk Vests
As a gift suggestion—Silk Vests—pink, white and blue; reinforced; special... 1.19
(Main Floor.)

$2.00 Child's Rocker, 95c

High carved back; very strongly constructed of solid quartered oak; golden finish; very special Tuesday (Sixth Floor). 95c

Women's Silk Umbrellas

Handles include finest sterling trimmed Mission boxwood; covers superior quality Gloria silk; special. $1.19

$1.00 Auto Hood Sale
A very choice selection; in all desirable shades, and veils to match; suitable for street and evening wear. Ladies' and misses' sizes. An excellent Xmas gift; $2.00 values; Tuesday (Main Floor)... $1.00

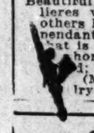
75c Messaline
In black, navy, white and all the wanted colors; firm weave; pure silk; suitable for waists and dresses; sells for 75c per yard in a general way; special, per yard (Main Floor—Aisle 1)... 38c

$1.00 54-In. Wool Serge
All-wool; in black, navy and colors; sponged and shrunk; good weight; just the cloth for suits and skirts; positively $1.00 value; special, per yard (Main Floor—Aisle 1)... 53c

35c Embroidered Dresser Scarfs
Size 48x18 linen finish Dresser Scarfs, hemstitched; with an embroidered design on each end, and all perfect; will launder like pure linen; on sale Tuesday at (Main Floor)... 15c

75c, $1, $1.50 Women's Head Scarf
Silk crepe, silk mull, with 3-inch silk fringe, also brocaded silk, with neat hemstitch (Main Floor—Aisle 6)... 69c

$1.00 Collar Box
Black leather covered Collar Box, lined with silk poplin and trimmed with fancy gilt mountings; can be used as fancy handkerchief box, also attractive, useful gift (Main Fl.—Aisle 6)... 44c

75c Gold-Filled La Vallieres

Beautiful gold-filled La Vallieres with cameo pendants; others have a fancy engraved pendant. An appreciable gift that is inexpensive. No mail or phone orders accepted; special Tuesday (Main Floor—Jewelry Dept.)... 25c

$5.00 Galloping Horse

Large size dapple gray galloping horse; real hair mane and tail; leather saddle and bridle; hardwood frame, neatly painted; Tuesday (4th Fl.) 4th Floor $2.98

12½c Butcher Linen
Bleached Butcher Linen; fine, smooth finish; right off the bolt; fine for drawnwork and other household uses; in Basement Sheet Dept., yard... 6½c
16 yards for $1.00.

12½c Outing
Light Outing in stripes and checks; fine for gowns and other uses; in all good lengths; no more than 20 yards to a customer; in Basement, yard... 4¾c

$1.00 Xmas Gifts, 50c
On our 50-cent table you will find a complete assortment of shaving and manicure sets, nicely boxed, also necktie racks, boxes, glove and handkerchief boxes of leatherette; actual $1.00 values; for (Basement)... 50c

$2 Coney Muffs
Women's and Misses' Black and Brown Coney Muffs; nicely lined; one to a customer; Tuesday special (Basement)... $1.00

$1.19 Children's Rain Capes
In gray stripes; waterproof; with plaid-lined hoods; in sizes 6 to 14 years; Tuesday's gifty reason (Basement)... 69c

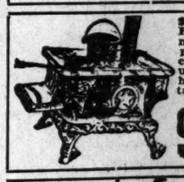
25c Men's Silk Ties
Men's Silk Ties, in all the new shades; open-end four-in-hand style; regular 25c silks; Tuesday (Basement)... 10c

$1.00 Shoofly
Large size long rockers; very strongly built; natural wood finish; tinted in red and black; special Tuesday (Fourth Floor). 49c

$2.50 Doll Go-Carts

One-motion Collapsible Doll Go-Cart; upholstered in tan or black leatherette; rubber tires, steel frame, with hood (Sixth Floor); Tuesday only. $1.45

$2.00 White Enameled China Closet.
Large size, has 2 shelves; made very strong and durable; for Tuesday's selling only (one to a customer). 87c
5th Floor.

$2 Toy Iron Range

Toy Iron Range; nickel-plated; with cooking utensils; has hot-water tank. 98c

$2 Value in Bathrobe Sets
This outfit consists of six yards heavy fleeced elder down, choice colors and styles, 1 set of two cords and frog to match; put up in holiday boxes; an ideal gift for lady or gentleman; Tuesday, special price (Main Floor—Aisle 2)... $1.49

$2.00 Silk Waists
Made of heavy white silk; long sleeves, embroidered collar; front finished with crochet buttons; all sizes; an ideal Xmas gift; for Tuesday only (Third Fl.)... $1.00

$1.50 Toy Tea Set

Consisting of 15 pieces, prettily decorated; scenery or children with dog design; large pieces; in fancy box. 98c

$2.00 Jap Tea Set

Hand-painted Tokio Japanese Tea Set; Sugar, Cream, Teapot, with 6 Cups and Saucers. 98c
No phone or mail orders.

Extra Wall Paper Values
Suitable for most any room; light and dark shades; regular 12½c; Tuesday... 5c
Fourth Floor.

Great Tuesday Sale of
Women's Shoes

We consider ourselves extremely fortunate in again being able to offer our patrons such wonderful values in quality Shoes. A chance purchase is responsible for this timely sale—and the Shoes included are the most wanted styles—patent leather with cloth tops, etc. If bought in the regular way they would sell at more than twice the price we are asking. Tuesday in the Bargain Room, per pair,

Bargain Room

$1.69

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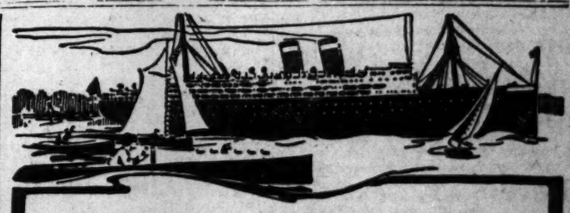

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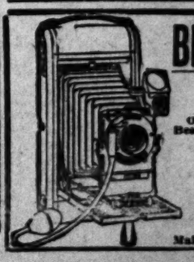

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ALIENATION VERDICT SET ASIDE

Judge Wardeman Grants New Trial in Singleton Case.

Judge G. A. Wurdeman, in the Circuit Court at Clayton this morning, set aside the verdict of $5000 obtained by Helen C. Singleton against her mother-in-law, Mary W. Singleton of 5175 Von Versen avenue, upon the ground that the mother had alienated the affections of Allen W. Singleton. The Judge ruled that the verdict was contrary to the weight of the evidence and granted Mrs. Mary W. Singleton's petition for a new trial.

The case was decided by the jury on Nov. 19.

Sensenbrenner's

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Tomorrow Will Be the Greatest Coat Selling Day of This Year

590 COATS

on Sale Less Than ½ Price

$10 to $15 Coats

$5.00

More than 180 new Fox Trot Coats, all wool materials, in all the latest materials, besides many other styles in fancy mixtures and black, in all sizes.

$17.50 to $20 Coats

$8.95

This takes in 250 more Coats, white and colored Chinchillas, Skinner's Satin, Black Broadcloths, Ural Lambs, Plaids, Stripes and other English Tweeds, in every size and color.

$25 Coats

$11.90

Silk Corduroy or Matted Lamb, with Skinner Satin lined, the season's smartest Coats; also Hindoo Linx, in all the new colors, green, brown, black or navy, also many very fine Black Broadcloths, the greatest Coats on earth—all sizes.

$25 and $30 Fur-Trimmed Coats, $14.95

A Wonderful Tuesday Sale of

Xmas Slippers

$1.25 Values, 98c

$1.75 Values, $1.39

For Women Wonderful assortment of Felt Juliettes, with fur or ribbon trimming, in every desired color, with hand-turned leather soles, also Felt Siestas in high or low cut effects; prettily ribbon trimmed; elk padded soles, and a dozen other styles; all at 98c and $1.39.

For Men Everetts, Operas or Nullifiers, in best black or tan vici kid; plain or fancy trimmed vamp effects; all hand-turned leather soles; also a great variety of Felt Slippers in every conceivable style; wonderful values at 98c and $1.39.

For Children Felt Juliettes with fur trimming, in tan or black, for the girls; Leather Slippers, just like Dad's, for the boys; all at 98c, and a great variety of fancy Felt Slippers at 69c.

Men's $3 Cavalier Slippers at $2.19

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LISTS on which contributions to the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival Fund may be subscribed in factories, offices, shops and other public places will be distributed to reliable persons by a staff of Post-Dispatch employes.

No one is authorized to solicit money for the Post-Dispatch Christmas Festival Fund. Give contributions only to persons you know to be reliable. Contributions and list collections should be sent by check to the Post-Dispatch Christmas Fund or by messenger to the Cashier of the Post-Dispatch.

All contributions will be acknowledged in the columns of the Post-Dispatch.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL FUND CONTRIBUTIONS

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J. Cleavy	10	John Anderson	10
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C. B. Carrico	10	P. J. Horgan	10
G. Clarke	10	H. L. Wren	10
E. Jackson	10		
A. Lyle	10	Total	$5 10
S. Sachs	10		

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Anonymous	25		
Anonymous	25	Total	$5 50

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Peace Insurance Luncheon Planned.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—More than 800 leading business men of this city will attend a "peace insurance luncheon" tomorrow night. The speakers, including Henry L. Stimson, formerly Secretary of War, Major-General George Leonard Wood and Mayor John Purroy Mitchel.

Student's Accuser Is Dead.

FLORENCE, Italy, via Rome, Dec. 14.—Owing to the death of Mrs. Mary R. Flavelle in Chicago last week the trial of Pietro Rossi, a Florentine art student, who is charged with having shot and robbed her on a train last May, has been postponed.

22 POUNDS FOR $1.00.

Best Eastern Granulated Sugar. Buy your holiday nuts at Cousins'. All new, fancy, mixed nuts, 5 pounds for $1. Fresh roasted Jumbo peanuts, 10 cents per pound. Cousins' best coffee, 3 pounds for $1, 5 pounds the best 25-cent coffee in town, $1. Sugar sold with $1 other goods. Geo. Cousins Tea Co., 4 S Broadway, near Market st. Bell, Main 552; Kinloch, Central 2906.

This Store Will NOT Be Open Any Evening Before Christmas—Closes Every Day at 6 P. M.

To Induce Early Shopping!

Quantities Are Limited—There Will Probably Be None Remaining After 11 O'Clock.

98c Flannelette Gowns

Women's gowns of Amoskeag flannelette in pretty styles. Extra and regular sizes. Until 11 o'clock, **75c**

(Second Floor.)

$2.50 Shawls

Large Marine Shawls, all wool, size 72x72, assorted gray patterns. Until 11 o'clock, **$2**

(Second Floor.)

$3 Combination Sets

Two piece match garments, of pretty nightgown and combination of extra fine quality nainsook elaborately trimmed in choice lace, nainsook embroidery insertion and ribbon beading. Until 11 o'clock, **$2**

(Second Floor.)

$1 Gloves

Women's two clasp white leatherette Gloves, "Kayser" make, with spear back and pique sewn seams. Until 11 o'clock, pair **65c**

(Main Floor.)

75c Crochet Slippers.

Misses' hand Crochet Slippers, in red, blue and pink. Sizes 8 to 14 years. Until 11 o'clock, **50c**

(Second Floor.)

$2.25 and $2.95 Dresses.

Russenkittel Dresses made of good quality poplin, hand embroidered, with belt. Also several other pretty styles. Until 11 o'clock, **$1.50**

(Second Floor.)

For Men—The "Cabinet"

A Decided Christmas Gift Novelty

Price, $1

These attractively decorated Cabinets consist of three drawers containing pair of silk socks, Jap silk handkerchief, silk tie and garters, all to match, as well as black enameled scarf pin and tie holder.

The Cabinet can be used as a handy box on a man's chiffonier long after Christmas.

Complete set, priced specially for tomorrow—at **$1**

(Bargain Square 13—Main Floor.)

Aprons for Holiday Gifts

Every Apron need can be filled here, for there are Aprons for home use, for hotel or hospital use, as well as Aprons for the boudoir or sewing room, and dainty little Aprons for maids.

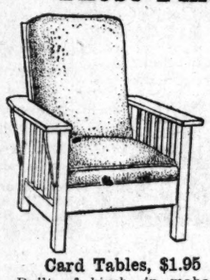
—At 25c, 49c, 75c, 98c and $1.50

At 49c—Dainty Sewing Aprons, Tea Aprons and Bretelle Aprons, of white lawn and dotted Swiss, trimmed in lace, embroidery and ribbons—also Bungalow Aprons of percale, in light and dark colors—piped in contrasting colors.

At 75c—Bretelle Apron, Chafing Dish and fancy Tea Aprons, of barred muslin—lawn and dotted Swiss—trimmed with dainty embroidery, lace and ribbon bows.

(Second Floor.)

These Fine Reading Chairs



$13.75

The Furniture Store presents a great showing of comfortable Chairs and Rockers for the living-room, including many handsome Rockers in tapestry, Spanish leather and others in allover upholstery of various materials.

The style illustrated is of quarter-sawed oak, in fumed finish—built on broad, roomy dimensions.

Card Tables, $1.95

Built of birch, in mahogany finish, and with Chase leather tops—30x30 inches.

Telephone Stands and Stools, priced from **$2.50 to $9.50**

Smoker's Stands, **50c to $12.50**
Book Racks, **50c to $2.50**
Music Cabinets, **$5.75 to $42.50**
Costumers, **$1.75 to $14.50**
Tabourettes, **69c to $6.75**

(Sixth Floor.)

Christmas Gifts of Furs

The Lowest Prices on Reliable Qualities.

A handsome Fur Coat or a luxurious set would, indeed, be appreciated by any woman.

Why not buy them at once and allow the recipient to enjoy the Furs during these blustery days before? Your Christmas gift will be that much more appreciated.

Women's Handsome Coats of Fine Fur.

$90 French Seal Coats, with Russian Fitch collar, can now be bought for **$59.75.**

$100 Caracul Coats, full length, with skunk collar and cuffs, **$69.50.**

$110 Sable Squirrel Coat, **$79.50.**

$125 Genuine Mole Coat, **$89.75.**

$150 Baltic Seal Coat, with Fitch collar and cuffs, are now priced, **$89.75.**

$265 Mole Coat, with ermine collar, special tomorrow, at **$125.**

$135 Hudson Seal (seal-dyed muskrat) bolero, are now priced, **$98.50.**

$195 Baby Caracul Coat, chinchilla squirrel collar, special tomorrow, at, **$125.**

$265 Taupe Caracul Coat, Hudson seal (seal-dyed muskrat) trimmed, **$145.**

$325 Natural Hair Seal Coat, German Fitch collar and cuffs, are now priced, **$165.**

$250 Monkey Coat, ermine vest, collar and cuffs, are now priced, **$165.**

$250 Japanese Mink Coat, special, **$175.**

$225 Australian Seal Toga, special, **$175.**

$225 Hudson Seal (seal-dyed muskrat) Cape Coat, are now priced, **$165.**

$450 Baby Caracul Coat, military collar and cuffs of skunk Marten, **$325.**

Women's Beautiful Fur Sets Specially Priced.

$100 Black Lynx Sets, with new round boa and muff, special at, **$79.50.**

$125 Fitch-dyed Kolinsky Set, **$79.50.**

$145 White Arctic Fox Set, **$89.75.**

$175 Genuine Skunk Marten Set of natural skins, are now priced, **$98.50.**

$145 Kit Fox and Mole Combination Set, are now priced, **$110.**

$165 Hudson Seal (seal-dyed muskrat) and pointed taupe fox combination set, **$125.**

$195 Mole and Ermine Set, specially priced, are now priced, **$125.**

$165 Kolinsky Set, specially priced, **$125.**

$250 Handsome Genuine Natural Mink Set, are now priced, **$175.**

$225 Royal Ermine Set, large cape scarf and pillow muff to match, **$175.**

$295 Genuine Chinchilla Set, with large throw scarf and handsome muff to match, **$225.**

$195 Bechoff-David model in Baum Marten-dyed, Fox Set, **$165.**

(Third Floor.)

"Christmas Time Is Music Time"

Let Us Deliver Your Piano Christmas Eve

BEAUTIFUL Grands, exquisite Uprights and the most artistic of Player-Pianos are here in wide variety for your selection.

Special terms of payment have been arranged for Christmas buyers, and whether it is $75 or $1,250 you have decided to spend, you are sure to find just what will please you in this immense Christmas stock.

All risk is eliminated when you choose from these celebrated makes.

Hardman, Hardman Autotone Player-Piano, Sterling, Lindeman & Sons, Ludwig & Co., Huntington, Harrington Playotone, Etc.

Special Bargains—We have priced at less than cost to us, over 100 used, shopworn and slightly used instruments, which creates a very unusual opportunity—good instruments from..... **$75 Up**

$5 to $25 ***Delivers Any Piano In Our Store Until Christmas***

Music Rolls at Special Prices

Every Q. R. S. new roll on our shelves until Christmas, **½ Off**

Five New Popular Selections—Medley... **89c**

Every soiled Q. R. S. Roll on our shelves until Christmas, **60% Off**

(Piano and Music Roll Department—Fourth Floor.)

Basement—Red Letter Day Sales of Practical Gifts

50c Velveteen, 25c

200 yards of Black Velveteen—22 inches wide—regular 50c quality—at **25c yard**

$1.50 Velveteen, 69c Yd.

Dress Velveteen, in rich navy, brown and wistaria—some with mixed stripes—24 inches

(Basement.)

10c Flannelettes

Soft fleeced Baby Flannelettes, in solid pink, light blue and white—yard, **6¼c**

(Basement.)

Amoskeag Gingham

Small blue and white checked Amoskeag Apron Gingham—variety of styles—yard, **6c**

(Basement.)

Jap Silks

Jap Silks, in all colors, as well as black and white, with woven figures—yard, **15c**

(Basement.)

10c Flannelettes

Light and dark figured fleeced-back Dress Flannelettes—at yard, **6¼c**

(Basement.)

Toys—

Childs' 35c Chair, 19c

Children's Chairs, in natural finish—strongly made—10x10-in. seat.

50c Trimmed Bed, 32c

200 Beds, 15 inches long—made of metal with canopy top, covered with cretonne—mattress and pillow.

25c Blackboard, 17c

Blackboard, 34 inches long, with chart. Can be folded when not in use.

(Basement.)

Collapsible Adjustable Dress Forms, *$8 Kind,* $5.98

For Red Letter Day only—this Four-Section Dress Form will be sold at this price. Form when closed measures but 38 inches in height. Adjusts from 32 to 42-inch bust measure. A most useful Christmas gift.

(Basement.)

Gift Suggestions for Men, Women and Children

In Basement Handkerchief Store

Handkerchiefs, 6 for 75c

Men's Handkerchiefs of pure Irish linen, with large open-work block letters,

six in box for 75c

Men's Handkerchiefs, 5c

Men's soft-finished cambric Handkerchiefs—plain and initialed—¼ and ½-inch hems.

Handkerchiefs, 6 for 25c

Women's Initialed Handkerchiefs, of good quality cambric, with block or script letters, embroidered with wreath.

Handkerchiefs, 3 for 50c

Women's all-linen Handkerchiefs—Alpine embroidered in one-corner effect.

(Basement.)

25c Neckwear, 17c

Men's Boxed Neckwear, in large open-end shapes—fancy effects—also solid-colored reversible poplin Four-in-Hands—each, **17c, or 3 for 50c**

50c Combination Sets, 39c

Elastic Suspenders and Pad Garters to match, in fancy striped effects—packed in holiday box, **39c**

(Basement.)

Sweaters

Women's Sweater Coats, of all-wool yarn, with rolling collar and pockets. Come in red and white—regular $1.95 and $2.50 qualities, special at **$1.50**

Infants' Sweaters, 50c

Infants' sample Sweaters, of all-wool yarn—slightly soiled from handling—regular 75c, $1, $1.25 grades—at **50c**

(Basement.)

Gloves

85c Gloves, 50c Pr.

Women's heavy Capeskin Walking Gloves—outsewn seams and one large clasp—tan only—in all sizes.

35c Gloves, 25c Pr.

Boys' and girls' heavy yarn Gloves, in black and colors—in all sizes.

15c Mittens, 10c Pr.

Children's black yarn Mittens, in all sizes—regular 15c kind, special Monday, **10c pair**

(Basement.)

Hosiery

Silk Stockings, 15c Pair

Women's Silk Stockings—black only—medium weight—double lisle heels and toes—seconds of 25c quality.

50c Silk Stockings, 25c

Women's medium-weight Silk Stockings, in black and colors—boot length, double lisle heels and toes—slight seconds.

Children's black cotton Stockings—medium weight—reinforced heels and toes—special, **10c pair or 3 pair 25c**

(Basement.)

***Special*—$3 Tapestry Portieres, $2.25 Pr.**

Just 500 pairs of pretty Portieres—made of good quality rep, with wide tapestry border—in green, red and brown—usual $3 quality—special for Red Letter Day, pair, **$2.25**

35c Curtain Madras, 19c

20 pieces of Curtain Madras—mercerized — in dark green and red—suitable for door and window hangings—special at, yard, **19c**

15c Georgian Cloth, 10c

50 pieces of beautiful Curtain Scrims, in large assortment of colorings—wash and iron perfectly—regular 15c quality—yard, **10c**

(Basement.)

Sensible, Practical Gifts Are These

Raincoats

Specially Priced for Red Letter Day at

$2.98 & $3.98

A special lot of good, serviceable, waterproof Raincoats in full-belted styles, made of cashmeres and poplins, in black, navy and tan. All sizes up to 44-inch bust measurement. In two lots tomorrow, special at **$2.98 and $3.98**

$2.98 Slip-on Raincoats, $1.50

Made of excellent quality guaranteed rubberized material, in tan color only—all full-length models, with storm collar and cuffs. Raincoats usually $2.98.

Any of these Raincoats will be packed in holly-decorated box for Christmas presentation, upon request.

(Basement.)

Women's 50c Vests, Special, 29c

Women's fine ribbed fleece lined cotton Vests, low neck, elbow sleeves—pants ankle length—regular and extra sizes—50c quality—at **29c**

(Basement.)

STIX, BAER & FULLER D. G. CO. GRAND-LEADER

Entire Block—Sixth, Washington, Seventh and Lucas

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DRESSES

Of Velvet & Serge and Satin & Serge—$10 Values—Tuesday

$3.95

Suitable styles for both street and afternoon wear—secured at less than half price from well-known Eastern makers, and offered to you on the same basis.

Colors include black, navy, wine, Copenhagen, green and brown. Every dress is brand new and modish in the extreme.

DRESSES

Of Silk Crepe de Chine, Charmeuse, Satin, Messaline, Silk Poplin, Chiffon and Lace—$15 to $25 values—

$6.95

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$15 to $19.14 SUITS

Just 52 brand-new Suits for women—both short and long styles—all sizes, up to 54 bust—on sale Monday at $5

Materials are most desirable—the workmanship extremely high class, but as the number is limited, prompt attendance is advised.

(Purchases from this lot cannot be exchanged or returned.)

$10 to $12.75 COATS

Materials include broadcloths, cheviots, all-wool novelty mixtures and white chinchilla—splendidly tailored—in the season's favored styles. An opportunity to purchase an excellent Winter Coat at about one-half price $5

$10 to $15 Fine Furs

The extremely mild weather has made it necessary for us to reduce our fur stock. On Tuesday, therefore, you can purchase the following pieces and sets at $5—about one-half real value..... $5

Black French Coney Sets
Brown Opossum Muffs and Scarfs
Marmot Scarfs
Black Wolf Muffs and Scarfs
Civet Cat Scarfs
White Iceland Fox Scarfs
White Iceland Fox Muffs
Jap Mink Scarfs

Beaded Bags

Several sample lines secured at less than cost go on sale Monday, including the New Pouch Styles, and pretty colorings—of jet, gold and flower effects—some leather lined. Every bag brand-new and clean—values up to $4—special 98c

'SILENT VOICE' IS VOCAL WITH DULL DRIVEL AND MUSH

PLAYGOERS' GUIDE.

Otis Skinner in "The Silent Voice." Olympic. A weak, artificial and tiresome drama, full of twaddle and "rot," and unworthy of star and supporting company.

"Damaged Goods." Shubert. Return engagement of Eugene Brieux's drama of disease, for which the claim is made that its story teaches a needed lesson.

"Hutt & Jeff in Mexico." American. Hilarious musical comedy.

"The Gingerbread Man." Park. Successful musical comedy along Christmas pantomime lines. Engagement opens tonight.

"The Quicksands." Shenandoah. Second week of Lewis B. Ely's play, telling interesting story much strengthened since its opening night.

Vaudeville. Columbia. Bill headed by Harry Houdini, handcuff king.

Vaudeville. Grand. Bill headed by the Seven Castellucis, musicians.

Vaudeville. Hippodrome. Bill headed by the Australian Waites, in whip, tomahawk, boomerang and spear feats.

"The Gypsy Maids." Princess. Extravaganza and vaudeville.

"The High Rollers." Standard. Burlesque and vaudeville.

"The Gypsy Girls." Gayety. Burlesque and vaudeville.

Belgian War Pictures. Garrick. Thrilling animated views of actual battlefield scenes in great European conflict.

Photoplays. New Grand Central. "More Than Queen."

Photoplays. Strand. First-run films, changing daily.

Photoplays. Juniata. Interesting picture-dramas, vividly presented.

By RIPLEY D. SAUNDERS.

"THE SILENT VOICE," a four-act drama by Jules Eckert Goodman, in which Otis Skinner, an excellent actor when he has half a chance, began a week's engagement at the Olympic Theater last night, is anything but silent, worse luck.

Quite to the contrary, it is blatantly vocal with twaddle and rot, a very flux of almost incredible drivel, indeed, laying claim to some sort of philosophy that never rises above vain and puerile "mushiness" in its relation to real life, and making such a demand upon the patience of playgoers more than willing to be entertained and instructed that its last curtain finds an infinite weariness the only existent result of its presentation.

Its central figure is an artificial hero in whose behalf the story's attempt to create an atmosphere of sympathy, from which a halo of martyrdom and ultimate spiritual triumph may be evolved later, falls utterly and with a deserved dull thud of impotent pathos. One envies the very deafness which is exaggerated into the basis of this remarkable creature's still more remarkable woes, since a touch of it would avert much suffering across the footlights.

Because of this deafness—not by any means a major curse justifying the bitter spirit of revolt that constitutes the "pose" of Montgomery Starr through four acts of amazing insincerity—and which did not prevent Montgomery Starr's marrying a young woman who loved his nephew—one is made to confront an impossible person whom the best acting in the world could never vitalize into anything like the semblance of a human being.

A Byronic misanthropy gone mad along the lines of "Manfred," but without the justification of Fate's real scourging, seems to have dictated the early drawing of this astonishing creation. Later in the play's progress the ludicrous "soul-embitterment" of this hero is succeeded by a "mushiness" equally as absurd, and, having "played God," as he himself expresses it, throughout a tiresome series of mock philanthropics born of his "lip reading," by means of field glasses, of the several life stories of folks more unhappy than he, Montgomery Starr suddenly learns that his young wife loves him instead of his nephew—and down goes the last curtain on one of the weakest dramas, I honestly believe, of an entire generation.

The supporting company loyally reinforces Mr. Skinner in a concerted but hopeless attempt to make the play worth while.

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SUNSHINE IN "POP" PROGRAM

A program of musical sunshine was the antidote to wintry weather offered by Conductor Max Zach at yesterday's popular concert of the Symphony Orchestra at the Odeon. Elgar's "Pomp and Circumstance" march, Auber's overture to "Zanetta," Tobani's colorful "Hungarian Fantasy," and Waldteufel's "Espana" waltz, were among the compositions played.

The encores, selected from the same genial class, were Pierne's fairy-like "Serenade," Lacome's "Marionettes" and Maquarre's "Midsummer." The big number of the concert was the "Procession of the Women," from Lohengrin, which was interpreted with a solemnity almost religious. A "first time"

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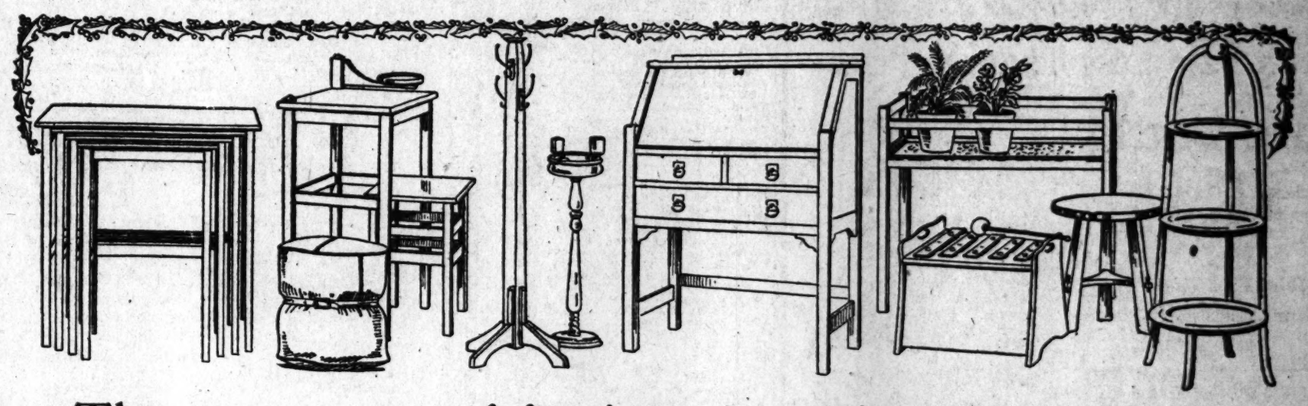

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As illustrated—Flower Boxes in mahogany finish and all finishes of oak, complete with pan $3.75

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Brass Beds with heavy continuous posts; all sizes and finishes. Price **$9.75**

White Enameled Beds, in all sizes. Priced at **$4.25**

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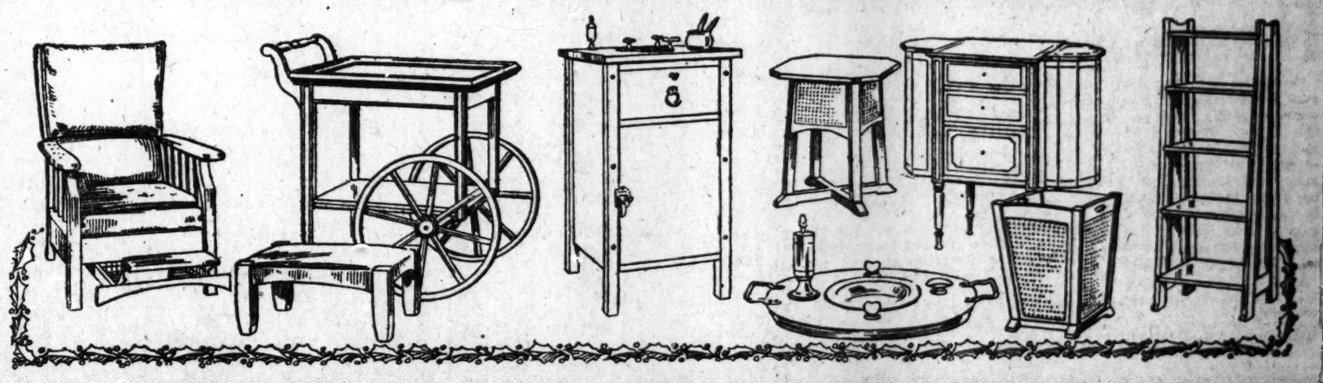

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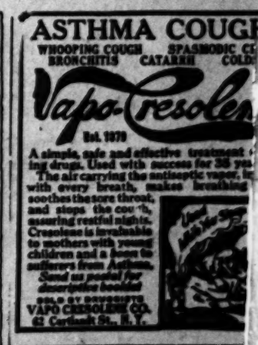

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TWO BAD MONEY PASSERS CAUGHT, ESCAPE BY RUSE

Pierce City Policeman Shot in the Leg When Phisoners Start to Run.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

MONETT, Mo., Dec. 14.—The strategy of two men who were arrested in Peirce City for attempting to pass counterfeit money enabled them to escape from Chief of Police Melvin Black and Night Watchman Charles Decker last night. Decker was slightly wounded in the leg in the fight which followed the efforts of the counterfeiters to get away.

The police of the towns in this section of the State were notified by the Joplin police that two men were passing counterfeit money. This warning had been passed on to the merchants. Last night the two young men entered a drug store in Peirce City. One bought a soft drink and offered a $20 bill in payment. The proprietor stepped outside of a back door and called the police, who arrested the two men.

After their arrest the two men asked for permission to go to the depot to get their grips. The policemen agreed. Upon arriving at the station, the two men suddenly drew revolvers and began firing at Black and Decker. The policemen were so surprised they were unable to bring their "Busy Berthas" into action until the two counterfeiters were well on their way. They were then unable to get the range and the counterfeiters escaped.

POSTAL SERVICE IS SELF SUPPORTING FOR FIRST TIME

Burleson Reports Surplus of $3,500,000—Favor Aerial Mail Service and More Autos.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Asserting that, for the first time since its organization by Benjamin Franklin, the Postoffice Department is on a self-sustaining basis, Postmaster-General Burleson submitted to President Wilson his annual report.

Burleson features his report with an estimate that a surplus of $3,500,545, the second of his administration, will be shown for the fiscal year of 1914 when all claims and charges have been met.

Among the recommendations are: Early action towards Government ownership of telegraph and telephone lines and immediate taking over of Alaska, Hawaii and Porto Rico systems, postoffice co-operation with states in building roads, substitution of salaries for contract system on "star" routes, raising maximum balance acceptable at postal banks from $500 to $2000, aerial mail service and extension of auto service, raising of second-class postage rates on publications other than newspapers from 1 to 2 cents a pound and readjustment of Postmasters' salaries.

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SECRETARY WILSON LAYS TWO BIG STRIKES TO MINE OWNERS

Colorado and Calumet Struggles Charged to Their Absence From Scene of Trouble.

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Secretary Wilson of the Department of Labor, in his annual report, made public yesterday, expresses the conviction that, had the owners of the mine properties in the Calumet copper region and the Colorado coal fields dealt with the strike situations in their inception, "had they been on the ground and personally in charge, there is reason to believe that no strike would have occurred."

"Whatever may have been the responsibility of the workmen for the strike and its incidents," said Secretary Wilson, "the local management cannot be wholly acquitted; and upon the elementary principle of agency, as sound in morals as in law, ultimate responsibility must rest upon the owners."

Flows special, 3 lbs. fine candy, $1 Candies, 15c pound up. 521 Olive.

CUPPLES HEIRS NOT TO PAY TAX

Court Releases Mrs. Scudder's Daughter From Collateral Levy.

Probate Judge Holtcamp made a ruling today that the three daughters of Mrs. Amelia Scudder of 3673 West Pine boulevard need not pay a collateral inheritance tax of $3812.70 each, assessed against them by Henry A. Baker, appraiser. Mrs. Scudder was adopted as a daughter by the late Samuel Cupples. She has three daughters, Gladys Scudder, Mrs. John H. Overall and Maude Scudder.

Each of these was left property appraised at $173,000 upon which the State sought to collect the collateral tax which is secured from those not direct heirs and is used for State university purposes. The Judge would not discuss his ruling, which appears to consider children of an adopted parent as direct heirs.

THREE VEHICLES IN CRASH

Auto, Ambulance and Street Car All Are Damaged.

An automobile ambulance belonging to Peetz Bros., 3710 Lafayette avenue, driven by Raymond Dryer, crossing Thirty-ninth street on Shaw avenue, at noon, was struck by a northbound Park avenue car and knocked against the automobile of John Hartman of 7136 Alabama avenue.

Dryer and Harry Boyd, who was riding with him, were thrown out but not hurt. The ambulance was damaged $3000, the automobile $250 and the street car $50.

Man Choked and Robbed.

William Roberts of 249 Garrison avenue, fireman at the Odeon, told the police he was choked and robbed by two men on a lot at 3061 Easton avenue at 12:30 o'clock this morning. They took 25 cents from him.

SERENO E. PAYNE BURIED, STORES CLOSE FOR AN HOUR

Thousands in Auburn, N. Y., View Body Before Funeral Services Are Held.

AUBURN, N. Y., Dec. 14.—The funeral of Sereno Elisha Payne, veteran Republican leader in the House of Representatives, was held this afternoon in the First Baptist Church. Hundreds from Cayuga and adjoining counties united with the congressional delegation of 60 to fill the church, and thousands stood outside or lined the snow-covered streets on the way to Fort Hill Cemetery, where the statesman was buried. All stores and public places closed during the hour of the funeral.

The Representatives and Senators who attended the final ceremonies took no active part. The Rev. A. W. Bourne, D. D., of Albany, pronounced a brief eulogy, and John M. Brainard, representing the Cayuga County Bar Association, spoke briefly.

During the noon hour the body lay in state and thousands of citizens passed the bier.

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Market Street Store Robbed.

Emanuel Munchweiler, proprietor of a dry goods store at 1339 Market street, reported that his store was robbed Sunday night of several toilet sets and a book of trading stamps.

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$7.50 For Coats Worth From $10 to $15

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Genuine fur—looks like Alaska or Hudson Seal—in beautiful flare and belted styles, with rich contrasting fur collars—lined throughout with fine silk—just 8 in all; $85.00 values..... $55

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BROADWAY AND MORGAN STREET
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Furs Reduced
Women's Fur Sets; exceptional values at $3.98
Children's Fur Sets; an ideal Xmas gift. (Second Floor.) 88c

65c Linoleum
A choice selection of Cork Linoleum, in room size remnants; special, per yard..... 29c
Third Floor.

$1.50 Flannel Shirts
Not seconds, but first qualities; heavy and novelty weight flannels; sizes 14 to 17½..... 79c
Main Floor.

$2.50 Toilet Set
3-piece Combination Brush and Mirror; mirror 6-inch in diameter, oak, ivory and gray finish..... $1.49
Main Floor.

$2 Lace Spreads
Large size Lace Bedspreads, drawn-work designs, $2.00 value, Tuesday..... 98c
Third Floor.

Men's $1 Underwear
Heavy wool-fleeced Shirts or Drawers; satin trimmed; sizes 34 to 48; Tuesday only..... 58c

6 Handkerchiefs
Women's Embroidered Handkerchiefs; box of six; worth 75c..... 39c
Main Floor.

$2.50 Hemstitched Sets
Bleached Satin Damask, cloth 2-yard size, and 6 napkins; the set.... $1.69
Main Floor.

Women's $1.00 Silk Hose
Pure silk, black only; regular "Topsy" $1.00 sellers; on sale tomorrow only..... 59c

All Silk Messalines
Beautiful rich quality, high luster and in 36 beautiful shades; Tuesday special..... 47c
Main Floor.

Ladies' $2 Waists
Lace and Crepe de Chine Waists; latest styles; all sizes and colors, in holly boxes..... 98c
Second Floor.

85c Novelty Suitings
48 inches wide; smooth, satin broadcloth finish; excellent quality; Russian green, navy, plum and king's blue; 85c value..... 49c
Main Floor.

$1.00 Child's Piano—white enamel—12 keys, (3rd Floor.) 77c

$3 Folding Go-Carts
With hood and rubber tires; large size; reclining back; made strong; special. $2.39
(Third Floor.)

Ladies' Kid Gloves
16-button length Kid Gloves; white only; $3 value; Tuesday only..... $1.98
Main Floor.

Child's Tricycle—like cut—steel tires..... $4.49
Child's Tricycle—heavy rubber tires. (3rd Floor.) $5.98

$10 Winter Coats
Heavy, warm Coats in this season's materials; values up to $10.00; Tuesday (Second Floor).. $5.00

Boy Scout Books
Cloth bound; fifteen different titles; 25c values; Tuesday, a copy..... 19c
Main Floor

75c Kidlyne Doll..... 49c
75c Unbreakable Doll..... 49c
$1.50 Jointed Doll..... 98c
$2.00 Jointed Doll..... $1.49
Third Floor.

35c Gas Burner

Best made and gas-saver; heavy brass; screw adjustment; lava tip; special. 14c
(Basement.)

$1.50 Doz. Jap Cups and Saucers

Tokio red decorations; special price, set of six... 45c
Basement.

$2.50 Cut Glass Celery Trays
Handsome whistling star design, hobnail effect special.. Basement. $1.49

3 Pair Silk Hose
Men's black, white, tan and gray; double toe and heel; all silk upper; in holiday box..... 3 Pr. 48c

50c Head Scarf
White, pink, light blue and black; 50c values, at..... 23c
Main Floor

25c Silk Ginghams
On sale Tuesday, fine Silk Gingham; 25c value..... 12½c
Basement.

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$3.80 a Month

765—Scarf Pin, solid gold, platinum top, 7 Diamonds. $25
$2.50 a Month

The "Young Man's Favorite."

707—Men's Diamond Ring, 6 prong tooth mounting, 14-k. solid gold, Roman or polished finish..... $75
$7.50 a Month

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Largest Sale of Any Medicine in the World. Sold everywhere. In boxes, 10c., 25c.

Double Eagle Stamps All Day Tuesday

At Famous-Barr Co., the True Christmas Store

PLAN to concentrate all your Christmas Shopping here Tuesday. It's money in your pocket to do so, for its DOUBLE EAGLE STAMP DAY, when we give TWO instead of the usual ONE Eagle Stamp with cash purchases. There are but NINE MORE SHOPPING DAYS & thoughtful, careful shoppers will be here for these extra earnings in addition to the regular schedule of special values offered.

EAGLE STAMPS are the bonus given shoppers here for cash buying—they are a **permanent & integral factor** in the value-giving policy of this store, eagerly collected by shrewd buyers because of their intrinsic worth. We commend them to frugal folks. Hundreds are making Eagle Stamps do their Christmas buying, having collected them throughout the year & now utilize them in this way.

COME HERE TOMORROW for the most profitable & satisfactory shopping.

Famous-Barr Co. Offers Most Remarkable Buying Chances in

Oriental Rugs

In which we make some truly remarkable underpricing when we offer—

All Room Size Rugs
⅓ Off
The regular marked prices.

All Small Rugs and Runners
¼ Off
The regular marked prices.

Pleasing selection in rich, soft colorings & wonderful designs. An ideal time to choose these as handsome holiday gifts.

None Can Be Exchanged or Returned.
Fourth Floor

$22.50 Library Tables, $14.75

Solid Mahogany Colonial Design

A very attractive piece of furniture that will make a handsome gift for the home, Colonial design, oval top 24x42 inches, with commodious drawer—just a limited number to offer.

Fourth Floor

Gladsome News to Gift Buyers About Luxurious

Furs at ⅓ to ½ Less

This is a noteworthy sale, coming as it does right in the height of the Christmas shopping season, just when many have turned to Fur as the ideal & sensible thing to give.

Favorable market conditions brought these Fur Sets, pieces & Coats from leading New York furriers to sell at a third to a half less than worth. Every piece or garment is new & correct in style, made of expertly chosen & perfectly matched pelts.

$14.75 to $19.75 Fur Sets, $10

In this lot are kid coney, Hudson lynx, white Iceland fox marmot & near-seal, in wide variety of newest style muffs & scarfs.

$22.50, $25 & $30 Fur Sets, $15

Black fox, blue wolf, Jap mink, natural wolf, mole & coney sets—new model muffs & scarfs—every skin guaranteed perfect.

$32.50, $35 & $39.75 Fur Sets, $19.75

Civet cat, Jap mink, black fox, red fox, mole, pointed Jap wolf, natural raccoon Sets—striking styles—all skins guaranteed perfect.

$37.50, $42.50 & $49.75 Fur Sets, $24.75

Beautiful Sets of Jap mink, natural raccoon, red & black fox, mole, fancy near-seal & combination sets of near-seal & fitch.

$47.50, $49.75 & $59.75 Fur Sets, $35

Genuine mink, skunk, black fox, red fox, Jap mink, kit fox & civet cat Sets—fashioned from beautiful blended skins.

Fur Repairing

Bring us your furs for altering or repairing. Expert furriers are here to make your old furs look like new & to remodel them into the very latest styles at little cost. All work guaranteed.

Handsome Fur Sets, About Half

$250 Mole & Taupe Fox Set, $125.
$150 Hudson Seal Set, $75.
$175 Fisher Set at $87.50.
$85 Chinchilla Squirrel Set, $50.
$67.50 Red Fox Sets, $47.50.
$57.50 Fitch Sets at $39.75.
$65.00 Mink Sets at $50.
$85.00 Blue Fox Sets at $50.
$65.00 Black Fox Sets, $50.
$65.00 Hudson Seal & Fitch Sets, $39.75.

Fur Section, Third Floor

The Christmas Shoppers' Note Book

Items of interest to every Christmas shopper—only a few of the many can be mentioned in this space.

For Milady's Dressing Table, perfumes & toilet waters, in attractive boxes. Exquisite odors of the best-known makers, at right prices.

Parisian Ivory, perhaps the daintiest & most popular toilet articles—certain to please any woman. See vast stocks in special Ivory Section. Main Floor

Christmas Cards for mailing, for inserting in packages, seals & other things to make packages look more Christmassy.

Talking Machine Recitals are given daily from 11:30 to 2 in Recital Hall. Newest Edison or Victor records are played. Request numbers cheerfully played. Sixth Floor

Gift Certificates are the direct road to absolutely satisfactory gift-giving. We issue them to any amount, redeemable at any time in any section of the house.

Parcels Done Up attractively for mail or express, FREE. Special Station for receiving Parcel Post packages. Basement Gallery

Your Problems Are Our Problems. It is our idea of service to be of fullest service to you. Every salesperson has a sympathetic, friendly interest in your gift perplexities.

Handkerchiefs, a perfect sea of them for choosing. Every kind at every price one might wish for.

Kitchen Cabinets, gas ranges & other household articles are on the list of practical gifts. You'll find complete lines here. Basement Salesroom

Santa Claus has a cheery word for the children & holds daily reception for them from 8:30 to 6. Bring the little ones to see him.

Let Us Suggest as a Gift a Pair of Tickets to the Schumann-Heink Recital

—to be given at the Odeon, January 7th, under direction of Hattie B. Gooding.

It's one of the musical treats of the season—a gift not soon forgotten. Seat sale began today. Tickets will be inclosed in attractive gift envelope for presentation. Public Service Bureau, Main Floor Gallery

85c & $1 Bodices, 69c

Women's allover lace, sheer nainsook & seco silk bodices, in white, pink or blue.

$1.25 House Dresses, 85c

Women's, excellent quality of gingham, chambray or percale, the newest styles, square neck, open front or back.

$2.49 to $3 Shawls, $1.95

Women's large silk Shawls, in black or white, with knotted fringes.

39c Aprons, 20c

Women's scalloped small round Aprons in various sizes, some with pocket. Third Floor

$1.25 Large Size Spreads, 97c

Size 76x84, for large size beds, plain hem, with satin finish, heavy quality, excellent value. Basement Gallery

This Wonder Sale of

Diamond-Set Jewelry

—brings gifts de luxe of jewelry at savings nothing short of wonderful. Exquisite diamond-set pieces for men or women, also solid gold jewelry & watches at prices to induce prompt choosing.

Solid Gold La Vallieres, dozens of patterns to choose from, pendants set with brilliantly cut diamonds, **$2.99.**

¼-karat Solitaire Diamond Rings, set in 14-karat Tiffany mountings, **$19.75.**

Beautiful 26-inch strands of genuine Amber Beads, exquisitely cut, with genuine amber clasps, **$5.**

Men's & Women's Solid Gold Silk Ribbon Fobs, some with buckles; others with drop charms, at half regular, with 2 lots, at **$1.98 & $2.98.**

$15 Diamond Jewelry, $10

Scarf Pins, with solitaire diamond set in onyx; others set with genuine pearls, in different handsome mountings.

La Vallieres with diamond drop pendants, set with 2 diamonds in onyx & solid gold; others in solitaire diamond & genuine pearls with 15-inch neck chains; also Solitaire Diamond Sunburst Brooches.

$12.50 & $15 Diamond Rings, $7.95

14-karat Solid Gold Tiffany & Belcher Rings, each mounted with ⅛-karat brilliantly cut diamond.

Gold-Filled Bracelet Watches, $7.50

Very small 7-jeweled, 10-year guaranteed adjustable Bracelet Watches, dainty enameled dials.

Gold & Platinum Jewelry Save ¼ to ⅓

Good choosing in 14-karat gold or platinum pieces, from our big Diamond sale of last week. Values are remarkable.

Platinum Dinner Ring, set with 13 diamonds & 6 sapphires, **$80.**

Platinum & Gold Dinner Rings, set with 10 diamonds, **$35.**

14-karat Gold Sunburst Brooch, 9 diamonds, **$50.**

14-karat Gold Festoon Necklace, 11 brilliantly cut diamonds, **$39.**

Platinum La Vallieres, 40 diamonds, **$185.**

Platinum La Vallieres, 6 diamonds in drop setting, **$85.**

Solid Gold Baby Rings, set with real cut solitaire diamonds, **$3.75.**

Solitaire, 44-100 karat, in 14-karat & platinum setting, **$59.75.**

Solitaire 70-100 karat, in 14-karat & platinum setting, **$117.50.**

Main Floor, Aisle 5

The Approach of the Christmas Season Brings Greater Interest in This Stock Reducing Sale of

Men's Suits & Overcoats

It is of consuming interest among keen-sighted men. It's the sale of the season—planned for the purpose of a prompt reduction of heavier than normal stocks owing to lack of "heavy clothes weather." The sale is as helpful as are men's need for clothes. Those who need Suits & Overcoats will profit more than those with just Suits to buy.

Our Choicest Patterns & Newest Fabrics Are Embraced—Thousands of Garments—Faultlessly Made Suits & Overcoats—chosen from our regular stocks & put into this sale with much subtracted from regular prices. Every garment measures up to our high quality standard, & present sales prices are about those usually named at end-of-season clearances. Note them.

$15 to $16.50 Suits & Overcoats, $9.50
$20 to $22.50 Suits & Overcoats, $13.50
$25 to $28 Suits & Overcoats, $18.50
$30 & $35 Suits & Overcoats, $22.50

$25 Chinchilla Overcoats, $17

Splendid tailored Coats of genuine Mellbrook all-wool chinchilla, made in double-breasted style, with shawl collar, 46 or 52-inch length—belted back with wide wale serge lining & skinner's guaranteed satin sleeves. All are hand-tailored, cut full & roomy & come in colors blue & Oxford—sizes 34 to 50 including both stouts and slims.

It's an unequaled opportunity to buy one now for Christmas, & there's a saving of $8 while this lot of 200 lasts.

Second Floor

Men's $5 to $7.50 Sweater Coats, $3.50

A great lot, consisting of various styles with or without collars, in shaker rope, fine & cardigan stitches. These were bought from a jobber, who sacrificed them at below cost rather than take them in inventory. A very useful Xmas Gift to give.

Second Floor

A Gillette for "His" Christmas

What a satisfying gift a Gillette Safety Razor would be. A thing that would daily bring the giver into the fond memory of the recipient.

Gillette Safety Razors are the "closest companions" to thousands of men. A "Gillette Shave" is the kind busy men like.

This store is HEADQUARTERS for Gillette Razors. You will find here many different styles, of silver, gold plated, traveling sets in handsome cases—in short, every kind, at $5 to $25. Basement

In Our Wonderful Toyland

is the most comprehensive lines of toys & dolls. Greater variety & better values—See.

$1.75 & $2.25 Indian Suits, $1.39

A large lot of Indian Suits with full feather head dress & nicely trimmed boots & pants, slightly soiled, while they last.

Imported Teddy Bears

Fine quality silk plush bodies, with deep voice & glass eyes, while the lot lasts—

$1.25 Teddy Bears.....95c
$2.25 Teddy Bears.....$1.69
$2.95 Teddy Bears.....$1.95

Character Dolls, 50c to $10.95.
Jointed Dolls of every size, 50c to $14.95.
Games, well-known editions, 10c to $5.75.
American Flyer Mechanical Trains, $1.00 to $5.95.
"Bings" Electric Trains on track, $3 to $7.50.
Toy Dish Sets—china, tin & enamel, 25c to $25
American Lead Soldiers with guns, $1.00 to $3.50
"Bings" Mechanical Boats—see water tank demonstration, 50c to $26.50.
"Richter" Stone Building Blocks, $1 to $6.
"Meccano," the wonderful building toy, $1 to $36.
Boys' rubber-tired Autos—large sizes, $6.95 to $24.95.
Girl's Doll Beds—wood, wire & brass, 59c to $7.95.
Blackboards—wall & easel styles, 59c to $3.50.
Girls' Doll Cabs—English & reed styles, $2.50 to $22.50.
Writing Desks & Desk & Chair Sets, $1.50 to $18.95.
Hobby Horses—rocking & swinging styles, $2.95 to $20.95.
Girl's Toy Pianos—"Schoenhut" brand, 25c to $10.00.
Shoo-Fly Rocking Horses—all sizes, 59c to $5.95.
Sidewalk Sulkies—all with rubber tires, 98c to $6.50.
Girl's Toy Tea Tables—all styles, 59c to $3.50.

Basement Salesroom

All Goods Returned for Exchange or Refund MUST Be Accompanied With Original Sales Checks.

"Santa Claus" Will Pick Out Many a Boys' Suit & Overcoat in This Stock Reducing Sale of

Boys' Suits & Overcoats

What a vast range of dependable & stylish garments there is here for choosing—as many as the next three largest boys' clothes stores in the city combined will show, we believe. Literally thousands of attractive garments—every one of which will make a cherished gift for Christmas morn.

Swagger Overcoats of handsome or practical, warmth-giving fabrics, clever Norfolk Suits of fancy material or blue serge, all with a considerable portion of their regular worth subtracted for the purpose of early dismissal.

$3.50 & $4 Suits & Overcoats, $2.90
$5 & $6 Suits & Overcoats, $3.85
$7 & $8 Suits & Overcoats, $5.60
$10 & $12 Suits & Overcoats, $7.75

Second Floor

A Thousand Christmas Blouses at $3.00

Splendid $4 & $5 Values

Exquisitely dainty Blouses of chiffon & lace combination, velvet & lace, chiffon over chiffon & silk shadow lace. Various styles have either short or long sleeves, in colors white & flesh, sizes to 44.

The illustration shows 4 fetching styles. Gift boxes free if desired.

Third Floor

$600 Solo-art Player-Pianos, $445

Ideal Christmas Gift

The greatest Player-Piano offer this store has ever made.

This Player-Piano has a tone & mechanism that will satisfy the most exacting musician.

Guaranteed on a money-back basis.

$5 or $10 All you need pay until after January 1st.

Reserve yours early—they're going fast.

Sixth Floor

A Dress Pattern for Xmas

Purchase in Holiday Gift Boxes, If Desired.

$2.50 Crepe de Chine, $1.75
Pure silk, full 46 inches wide in a good line of colors.

$1 Wool Plaids, 69c
Light color, imported all-wool, 40-inch Plaids.

98c Blue Serge, 75c
All-wool, 50 inches wide, double warp navy blue Storm Serge.

$1 to $1.50 Fancy Velvets, 49c
Beautiful fancy printed novelty Velvets for trimmings & millinery.

$1.75 Fancy Taffeta, $1.29
Light colors, yard wide, with dainty printed warp effects.

$1.98 Black Moire Silk, $1.19
Heavy rich yard wide Black Moire Silk.

Main Floor, Aisle 1

Women's "Surety" Stockings

Silk lisle, black, white or tan, 4 prs. in holiday box, $1.

Surety Stockings, 2 Prs., $1
Women's full fashioned boot silk, in black, white or colors, 2 pairs in holiday box.

$1.50 to $2 Silk Stockings for $1.10
Women's full fashioned black heavy silk, 1 pair in a holiday box.

$3.00 to $18.00 Sample Silk Hosiery.....$5.95
$5.00 to $7.50 Sample Silk Hosiery.....$3.88

Main Floor, Aisle 7

Make Sure When You Buy, to Get a

New Victrola & Records

It's the satisfactory way to buy. It's best to safeguard yourself against used records & instruments. Every Victrola & every Record we offer you is new & used for the first time when you play it.

This is the ONE store in St. Louis, as far as we know, that does not send Victrolas or Records on approval.

Complete lines in all woods & styles, $15 to $200. Sixth Floor

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ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

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Good Advertising Results

St. Louis Post-Dispatch: I have had eleven want ads run in your paper advertising apples by parcel post. Results are far beyond what had been expected.
I now feel confident of building up a good parcel post trade in St. Louis
JOHN BLAND,
Lebanon, Mo.

Sunday Circulation More Than 300,000

MESSENGER BOY KILLED, BODY THROWN IN WELL

Five Negroes Arrested When One Confesses Luring Texas Youth Into Country to Steal Motorcycle.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 14.—Five negroes arrested in connection with the killing of Oscar Scroggins, a messenger boy, whose body was found in a well on a farm near here late last night, have been hidden by local officers. They said the whereabouts of the prisoners would not be revealed for some time.

Scroggins' body was found after Clint Williams, a negro, confessed that he lured the boy into the country that he might steal his motor cycle, and that another negro had killed him.

The motor cycle was found in Williams' possession. Williams told the officers where Scroggins' body could be found and his confession led to the arrest of four other negroes.

H. GRIESEDIECK JR., WEALTHY BREWER, DIES OF APOPLEXY

Stricken Friday Afternoon at Home—Remained Unconscious to the End.

Henry Griesedieck Jr., 60 years old, a wealthy retired brewer, died about 1:20 o'clock this morning at his residence, 3250 Hawthorne boulevard. He had been unconscious since 1 p. m. Friday, when he was stricken with apoplexy as he was feeding pet pheasants and pigeons in the rear yard.

Efforts of three physicians to revive him, that he might recognize relatives gathered at his bedside, were futile. Nephritis was given as a contributory cause of death.

He was ill several years ago, but recently his health was so good that his relatives frequently commented upon his fine physical appearance. When he orrhage, became unconscious and was was stricken Friday he suffered a hemcarried into the house by his chauffeur.

Started Sons in Business.

Griesedieck retired from business about three years ago, when he resigned as president of the Independent Breweries Co., corporation formed in 1907 by the consolidation of nine breweries. At that time he bought the Consumers' Brewery at Nineteenth street and Shenandoah avenue, and started his sons, Anton and Raymond, into business as the Griesedieck Bros. Brewing Co.

He was born in Westphalia, Germany, March 29, 1854. He came to St Louis with his parents in 1872 and went to work as an office boy in the Lafayette Brewery, of which an uncle was one of the owners.

Fifteen Craps Players Arrested.

The police raided the basement beneath the poolroom at 1934 North Fourteenth street yesterday and arrested 15 men who were playing craps. The poolroom is conducted by Harry Keyes of 1209 Chambers street. He was not present.

CORA: Let's get married and go home Christmas. I'll get the diamond ring from Louis Bros. & Co., the National Credit Jewelers. 2d floor. 308 N. 6th st.

Charleston, Ill., Opera House Burns.

CHARLESTON, Ill., Dec. 14.—Fire destroyed the Grand Opera House at Charleston last night, causing a loss of $35,000. The building was owned by J. E. Osborne of Decatur.

Joseph Smith's Funeral Held.

INDEPENDENCE, Mo., Dec. 14.—Without flowers, drapery or pageantry, the body of Joseph Smith, president of the reorganized Church of Latter Day Saints, who died Thursday, was buried here yesterday. In accordance with the directions given on his death bed, the services were simple.

Consul Hunts Wife in Germany.

BOSTON, Dec. 14.—Bearing a personal letter from President Wilson to Emperor William to aid him in his search for his wife, lost in Germany since the outbreak of the war, Edward E. Muecke of San Francisco, United States Consul at Iquique, Chile, has sailed for Europe on the steamship Canopic. Muecke fears his wife is ill and penniless. She went to Germany more than a year ago for her health and when war was declared, her letters ceased.

One Minute Toothache Stick
Stops toothache quick. All druggists. 10c

Ten Young Men Held for Gambling.

Ten young men were arrested in the basement of the home of Charles Strattman, a teamster, at 7019 Minnesota avenue, Saturday night. They were charged with shooting craps, and Strattman was charged with permitting gambling in his home.

OaKes Alteration Special—Beautiful silver-topped Bonbon dish filled with Chocolates or Bonbons, 50c. 512 Locust.

Commander of Brabant's Horse Dies.

CAPE TOWN, UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA, Dec. 14.—The death was announced yesterday of Major-General Sir Edward Yewd Brabant, who gained fame as the commander of a division of Colonials, known as Brabant's Horse, in the Boer war. He was born in 1839.

WHO'S THE BEST DANCER IN ST. LOUIS?

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Refinement of Design and Workmanship
Superior Quality
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Reasonable Prices

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A High Grade Corset
A French or Crepe de Chine Nightgown
A Kayser Silk Combination Suit or Vest

Our Boudoir Caps, Silk Matinees or Kimonos are wonderfully attractive to all women. An early selection is advised.

705 Locust Barry's Corset Shop

St. Louis, Dec. 14, 1914.

Specials Tomorrow for Gifts at Jaccard's on Broadway

JACCARD'S, ON BROADWAY. JACCARD'S, ON BROADWAY. JACCARD'S, ON BROADWAY. JACCARD'S, ON BROADWAY.

Christmas Gifts .25 cts. to $10,000.00

Your Friends Are Sure to Appreciate Their Gifts If You Buy Them at Jaccard's on Broadway

Silver Baby Spoons—Heavy solid silver, curved handle, nursery rhymes engraved in bowl..... $1.00

14-Piece Chocolate Sets—Fine translucent china, decorated in a rose design in colors with gold bands. Complete sets of chocolate pot with lid and six cups and saucers, only..... $3.50

Sugar and Cream Sets—Rich cut glass, mounted with sterling silver—very beautiful gift for the housekeeper—set of sugar bowl and cream pitcher..... $3.00

Electric Toasters—Nickel-plated—fully guaranteed—a useful gift... $5.00

Solid Alcohol Burners—For use in chafing dishes and percolators; heavy nickel plate—complete, filled with alcohol in solid form..... 75c

Six Cut Glass Tumblers—Rich American cut glass, extra heavy; very special value, set of six..... $2.50

Silk Umbrellas—Fine gloria silk, light roll, with long, hand-carved Mission handle—a useful gift for a lady..... $2.25

Bronze Book Ends—Fine Cathodian bronze in many designs, some cast to represent busts of famous poets. Very convenient on the library table; pair.... $5.00

Ash Trays—Of brushed brass, with match box holder and two cigar holders attached—a useful, inexpensive gift for the man who smokes, only 75c

The Gift of a Good Watch
will be appreciated by a young lady

It is one of those gifts that remain in service for a lifetime, constantly increasing in appreciation.

Substantial 14-k. solid gold hunting-case Watch, fitted with Jaccard's celebrated 15-jewel Constant movement. Case is plain finished for monogram, which will be engraved free. Special..... $27.00

Lady's Watch, small size solid gold open-face case, fitted with a guaranteed jeweled Jaccard movement, only... $18.00

Expansion Wrist Watch, very heavily gold filled, fitted with Jaccard's jeweled lever movement. A very special value at..... $16.50

Lady's Watch, small size open-face case of 18-k. solid gold, fitted with the world-renowned Patek-Philippe movement..... 138.00$

Ladies' Solid Gold Watches... $18.00 to $250
Ladies' Wrist Watches..... $15.00 to $625

Diamond Brooches Are Gifts That Every Lady Appreciates

The beauty of the new designs being shown at Jaccard's are sure to appeal to you.

Beautiful Platinum Circle Brooch, wrought in a dainty lace design and mounted with perfectly matched, fine diamonds.... $280.00

Beautiful Scroll Brooch of platinum, mounted with fine diamonds and having diamond drop. Only..... $135.00

Diamond La Vallieres..... $11.50 to $3,000
Solitaire Diamond Rings..... $20.00 to $3,000
Diamond Brooches..... $25.00 to $5,500
Diamond Dinner Rings..... $40.00 to $2,000
Pearl Necklaces..... $65.00 to $10,000
Diamond Necklaces..... $75.00 to $10,000
Diamond Earrings..... $15.00 to $4,000

Theriesenthal Crystal
Is a Gift Whose Service Only Begins With Christmas

Combining usefulness and beauty, this elegant imported Glassware is the ideal gift. Its grace of outline is greatly enhanced by its rich, gold-incrusted border decoration.

Gobfets, per dozen..... $22.00
Fountain Glasses, per dozen..... $16.50
Claret Glasses, per dozen..... $16.50
Cocktail Glasses, per dozen..... $15.50
Wine Glasses, per dozen..... $15.00
Liqueur Glasses, per dozen..... $13.50
Salt Dips, per dozen..... $10.75
Finger Bowls, per dozen..... $22.00
Sherbets, on foot with plates, doz..... $33.00
Fruit Servers and Bonbon Stands, on tall stems, with plates, dozen..... $37.50
Grapefruits, with plates, per dozen..... $33.00

Book of 10,000 Gift Suggestions Mailed Free. Write for It to Jaccard's, St. Louis

DEMAND DONK'S COAL!

Instead of dealing with middle men you are dealing direct with the miners themselves when you buy from Donk Brothers. You get the cleanest burning coal—the best coal—and you get it at the lowest possible price.

We have yards and wagons everywhere and give you prompt service. Why experiment with unknown qualities now from one location and now from another when you get Donk Brothers' coal at the right price?

Prices Apply to Lots of Not Less Than Fifty Bushels or Two Tons.

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Grate Size, per ton, $8.00
Egg and Stove Sizes, per ton, $8.25
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Donk's Collinsville	*per bushel,*	*11c*
Donk's Maryville	*per bushel,*	*12c*
Donk's Domestic	*per bushel,*	*14c*
Donk's West Virginia Smokeless, Egg Size, ton,		*$6.00*
Elkhorn-Laclede Gas Coke	*per ton,*	*$5.75*

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Garrick Theater
THIS WEEK

The only actual Moving Pictures of real war taken on the battlefields by the correspondents of the Chicago Tribune, on contract with the Belgian Government, will be shown for the benefit of the Belgian sufferers and the

POST-DISPATCH Christmas Festival Fund

at the Garrick Theater, every day this week, from 11 a. m. to 11 p. m.

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Vaudeville's Supreme Musical Offering
SEVEN CASTELLUCCIS
The Bottomley Troupe — World's Premier Acrobats
NICK SANTORO & CO.
In a Thrilling Story of the Prize Ring
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Show Never Stops—11A.M. to 11P.M.

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RICHARD BENNETT presents **DAMAGED GOODS**
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GYPSY GIRLS
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Today.
Vitagraph Broadway Star Feature.
"The Strange Story of Sylvia Gray"
With Helen Gardner.

AMUSEMENTS.

West End Lyric Delmar at Euclid
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday Daniel Frohman presents Marguerite Clark in "The Crucible."
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Gladys Hanson in "The Straight Road."
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AMUSEMENTS.

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HOME OF FOLLY—2 FROLICS DAILY. BURLESQUE.
The "HITCH RIDERS" with KYRA
In the FUZZY WUZZY DANCE.
NEXT—BROADWAY GIRLS.

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

Some More Signs.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

A few suggestions for signs in front vestibule of street cars:

1. Please wear warm clothes as we wish to economize on the coke.
2. Please be satisfied with our cars and service as you may possibly find them worse in the future.
3. Please step inside the car as you may be fortunate enough to find a strap.
4. Move forward, please, as the rear axle may give way and cause a disturbance.
5. Please carry a camp stool as straps are few and far between.
6. Please be contented with our unsanitary cars.
7. Don't bother the conductor with city locations as he "just arrived."
8. Don't excite the motorman by pulling hay seed from his hair. Safety first. R. F. G.

The Needy in Missouri.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

After reading the article in the Post-Dispatch concerning your helping the needy across the water, the thought came to me, if those kind ladies only knew the existing state of affairs in Southeast Missouri I know they would realize the old slogan of "charity begins at home," and turn their minds to the needy children in the cotton districts. It is going to be something terrible if we have a long, hard winter. Of course there would not be so much fame and publicity connected with helping these poor children, but a good Christian woman will not think of that. Just a few hundred dollars and some good warm clothes and some children will live to be a memorial of your kindness of heart. Dear women of St. Louis, please give this a thought and form a committee to relieve some of the suffering in the cotton districts. MRS. H. H. V. KELLEY.

Portageville, Mo.

A Sufficient Defense.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

If Rear Admiral's Fletcher's statement is true that only England has a navy superior to the United States, President Wilson, in his measure, stated a great truth when he said our navy is our defense. No other country, except England, could even get near our shores with a land force. England is no better off than we are when it comes to a standing army of trained soldiers. While she was training one soldier we could train two. So it would be impossible for English to ever invade this country.

Then again, it will be many years before any of the nations now at war will be able to make war on the United States, even if they should have a desire to do so. Any defense we might prepare now will be junk, in all probability, when such an attack is made, if ever. So what are we scared about? Let us rest easy.

WM. E. RUTLEDGE.

Minimum Gas Charge.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

As usual the poor man pays the piper. The minimum gas bill of 50 cents falls on the one least able to pay it; in fact, on consumers in small apartments and flats of two and three rooms. Gas is an absolute necessity during the six months of hot weather to make their small quarters habitable. For a family of four to six persons in a small flat the bills run up to $3.50 to $3 per month. This, coupled with ice, forms an expense only endured by necessity. In most of these flats there is no lighting system. Many of the owners having put the gas in after building. All use the range in the kitchen for heating as well as cooking, and many have no other heating stove. When we wish to use the gas the inflexible rule of $5 in advance to insure the company against loss, and now 50 cents additional, whether used or not, is an outrage of capital against the consumer which no right-thinking person should tolerate. Also it comes at a time when work is scarce and every family tries to economize even in small expenses. Verily, the way of the poor is hard.

ONE OF THE 15,000.

The Trouble With the Railroads.

Why do you not organize facts to offset the pro-railway campaign of the Republic? What is needed is not a material increase of rates, but:

1. Squeezing the water out of railway stocks. Thousands of people are drawing millions of revenues on overcapitalized stock.

2. The reduction of the extravagant salaries paid the higher officials of railways. No railroad official should draw more than from $10,000 to $15,000 a year. That should be the very maximum. The best technically trained men in the country are available for that. Thousands of university trained men are now laboring at from $2000 to $5000. The income tax statement indicates that about 1600 individuals are paying tax on incomes over $100,000. Undoubtedly this does not include all the cases.

Our whole trouble is just this: The existence of a small plutocracy with ridiculous incomes.

E. J.

AN APPOINTIVE SCHOOL BOARD.

The exceptional position which the School Board occupies because of the adoption of the direct-nomination system has been several times impressed on the public.

The selections for this board after its re-organization by the Legislature some years ago were, under a gentleman's agreement, covered by a league of neutrality entered into by the political bosses.

Each of the two great parties was to nominate one-half of the board members chosen at any one election. The board president was to be selected alternately from its Republican and Democratic members. Politics was to be left out of the influences determining decisions and judgments.

It must be said that the School Board's neutrality has been conscientiously respected and that the arrangement worked admirably for many years. Some have professed to detect a lessening in the standards governing the quality of board selections in recent years and a consequent impairment of effectiveness to some degree, though partisanship has not been charged.

The prevalence of reformed primaries has left these School Board members as the only public officers in St. Louis over whose nomination the convention system still retains jurisdiction. This is true in part because of the difficulty of carrying out the gentleman's agreement and preserving the nonpartisan character of the board under the plan of nominating by popular vote.

But it is manifest that the city convention, from whose clutch other and much less important offices have been wrested, should not be perpetuated simply to nominate Board of Education members. Furthermore, with these members as the only selections over which the convention bosses have control, nominations as satisfactory as those during the first years of the re-organized board are not to be expected.

A change is seen to be inevitable, but the nature of it must be determined at the coming session of the Legislature. Direct nomination will jeopardize something of proven value in the workings of the board—the earnest co-operation of all parties in a nonpartisan spirit for the best interests of the schools. This great advantage can be held and new advantages gained by making the board an appointive instead of an elective body.

To confer on the Mayor, who is subject to the recall, authority to appoint will be in harmony with the short-ballot idea of the new charter. It will insure the selection of a better average in material, a more equitable representation on the board for different sections of the city, and a membership more responsive to the popular desire. The sentiment of St. Louis should be brought into agreement on this change in time to make its wishes effective early in the legislative session.

The choice is between boss-selected members and Mayor-selected members. Which does the city want?

THE SCHOOL OF EXPERIENCE.

Rolla's football players are learning that insurrections are not always successful, even when they achieve their primary purpose. Their period of suspension will give them opportunity for profitable reflection upon the unwisdom of defying college authorities and the canons of collegiate sport.

VILLA'S AMBITION.

He has revealed it to the New York World's Mexico City correspondent. He doesn't wish to be President. He wishes merely to select and control the President and to get a contract for rebuilding the national railways. Honors and uniforms for his ambitious associates; contracts and power for Pancho. The fact that he wishes to build something, and not merely to loot or politically reform something, marks him as singular among Mexican leaders.

Perhaps the foreman for the Mexican job of reconstruction and regeneration has appointed himself. The peon who learned to read and write while awaiting execution in prison may be the man.

COLD TRIPPER CARS.

Complaints have been received that cars known as trippers are not properly warmed. The fires are not lighted until the cars actually begin their trip, which means that there is no adequate warmth until the passengers are more than half way downtown.

It is said that the excuse given is that it is not practical to light fires while cars are in the sheds. But surely the cars could be stationed just outside the sheds for 15 minutes, and fires made up so that the temperature would be comfortable at actual time of starting.

It is very necessary that an ordinance be passed requiring a minimum temperature in street cars during cold weather. This concerns the health of the public in a vital way, especially of delicate persons, women and children.

IS HISTORY SO SOON FORGOTTEN?

Postmaster-General Burleson wants to abolish the Government's rural mail carriers and let the work to contractors. He says money can be saved that way.

Somebody should hasten to tell Mr. Burleson the story of the Star Route mail contract frauds of a generation ago.

Instead of cutting down the mail service, let Mr. Burleson try his hand at expanding it, and he will reap a larger harvest of public approval. Let him grant or procure authority for his rural carriers to serve to their wagons' capacity in handling parcel post business between the farms and the local trading centers.

Congress should promptly reject his proposition to farm out any part of the Postoffice Department's work to profit-seeking contractors. The American people have the best mail service in the world; they want it improved and are willing to pay for it.

NEUTRALITY AT THE CANAL.

Naval vessels of the nations at war seem to be attempting about as irregular a use of the waters at each end of the Panama Canal as they have made of obscure ports of weak Latin American countries without the means of enforcing the laws of neutrality.

The British apparently are worst offenders at Panama. They are making a great blunder in presuming on the good nature of Col. Goethals. Because his name is linked with one of the greatest peaceful achievements of history, it must not be supposed that he has not equal accomplishments and capacity in the profession of a soldier. His request that the naval strength at his disposal in the vicinity of the canal be increased by the addition of swift destroyers for convenient use in emergency shows that he is making a demand for neutrality that has a punch in it.

In insisting on full recognition for the privileges of neutrality we must set an example to the world in the strict observance of the obligations of neutrality. We may believe that the duties imposed on us are in safe hands so far as the great public utility which we have given to the world at the isthmus is concerned. Col. Goethals' position is one of extreme delicacy. He is entitled to all facilities for safeguarding us against incidents that may plague in the future. An ounce of prevention at the canal will be worth several pounds of cure.

THEY KNOW BETTER.

It is lucky for us—and for them—that the European Governments do not share Prof. Usher's conviction of this country's utter defenselessness. If they did, one of them might be foolish enough to poke the hornets' nest.

BURDENSOME OCEAN FREIGHT CHARGES.

The conviction that it is going to be a long war is strengthened by several public utterances of late, from authorities qualified to judge. With the end of the war in sight by spring, the fate of the Government ship-purchase measure might be a matter of small concern. But with the end three years away, presumably, the passage of the bill becomes urgent.

Ocean freight charges have almost doubled since the adjournment of Congress. This is due to the shortage in shipping. Germany's 3,000,000 tons of merchant shipping is lost to commerce. England has taken over hundreds of thousands of tons and great numbers of sailors for war uses. A large tonnage has been destroyed. Without the purchase bill, which can restore a great tonnage in interned vessels to the service of the peaceful nations, a crisis in the ocean-carrying trade may be one of the causes of anxiety during the coming year.

Private initiative under our liberalized navigation laws cannot be looked to for relief. Up to date only about 250,000 tons has been transferred to our flag under the amended laws and a considerable percentage of that consists of tank steamers and other vessels devoted to special uses.

LADY SHOWYOU IS SHOWN.

Nebraska, not content with developing the best Western university football team, the highest-priced orator and the largest dry rivers in the country, has come forward with the champion hen.

Lady Showyou, a Missouri White Leghorn, was the champion, with a record of 281 eggs in 365 days.

Lady Laymore, a Nebraska White Leghorn, has just completed a year's work in which she raised the limit to 286 eggs.

Missouri doesn't claim all the championships, but she is in most instances the party the new champion has to beat.

We are, we may add, confident that somewhere on a Missouri farm there is a gawky, greedy, prematurely thoughtful highbrow of a White or Brown Leghorn chick that is destined to make it a flat 290.

If Nebraska wishes to consider that modest prediction as a challenge, Nebraska is free to make the most of it.

FIFTEEN MORE YEARS OF LIFE.

A dictum attributed to one famous physician, Dr. Osler, was that by the time a man was 40 years of age he had attained such success as he would attain in life and that at 60 a man should be chloroformed.

However, that was some years ago. Now comes another famous physician, Dr. Victor C. Vaughan, president of the American Medical Association, to give us science's latest deductions as to potential possibilities of those who are no longer young men.

Age as expressed in terms of years does not mean at all what it used to mean, says Dr. Vaughan. The average length of life has increased. A man now is as young, has as many possibilities before him at 50 as his father had at 35.

Doubtless the Osler theorem expressed a truth. Being, however, based on the experience of former years, it does not fit present conditions with exactness, and to be brought up to date requires some slight modification to adjust it in conformity with the data on what the Vaughan theorem is based. Making the changes needful to fit the new terms in which age is expressed, it appears that the man who has not by the time he is 55 years old—formerly it was 40 years old—made a success of life, never will make a success. And the age at which chloroform must be ordered is 75, not 60.

It is a pleasant thought that the man of 35—new reckoning—has nowadays all the experience, the sound judgment, the wise maturity of the man of 50. With this great advantage, why should not he make a success of his life, especially as he has many more years in which to win success than his father had?

We not only have a better equipment than men used to have, but things have been shoved along so as to give us at the time when men are at the fullness of their powers 15 more years in which to do our work.

What use are you going to make of these 15 years?

NOURISHMENT.

JUST A MINUTE

Written for the POST-DISPATCH by Clark McAdams

"AUDACIOUS."

The steel-built monsters of the seas,
Dreadnoughts they have been named,
Audacious' flag flung to the breeze
Of naught on earth ashamed,
The mighty guns upon their decks,
And power in every line,
In one short moment they are wrecks,
Just blown up by a mine.

Ten million dollars is the cost
Of one of those machines;
So you can see what there is lost—
Not counting the marines.
It's best to buy a few cheap mines,
Forget the dreadnought lure,
And give along these simple lines
The difference to the poor. R. D.

Suggested to Secretary of the Navy Daniels.

OLD GLORY.

There's a flag that many children,
Now fighting night and day,
Depend upon for their rations
In this destructive fray.

There's a flag that many children
Of the lands of martial laws,
Are hailing now with gladness;
Their only Santa Claus.

There's a flag that many soldiers,
Who pray for war to cease,
Gaze on with tender longing;
The flag that stands for Peace.

'Tis a grand old flag, Old Glory!
Of a nation proud and strong,
That tries, by watchful waiting,
To help the world along. A. WARREN.

Mr. Usher says the British exhausted themselves chasing us in our Revolutionary War. Well, a running fight is a well recognized type of warfare, isn't it?

DECEMBER 14.

Just eleven days remaining
Till the enterprising Spuds
Keep the parcel post from getting
Cluttered up with shaving mugs.

THE RESURRECTION.

(Dedicated to Mrs. B. B. Graham, whose costly altar memorial gift to Christ Church Cathedral has forever enriched religion and art in St. Louis.)

Ages ago, God buried deep in Earth
A message to mankind, in stone of Devon
And gave to Man its days, long since Christ's birth
The ming and skill to show the power of Heaven.

By that same stone, lifeless, but full of life,
Dead and yet Deathless, Epitome of time
Stretching along the way of mortal strife;
Record of ages—Prophecy sublime!

God spoke these words and said, "I am thy God,"
And thou shalt have no other gods but Me.
Then caused to form, beneath the feathered sod
The base of sculptured truth, that men now see.

The old Cathedral, centered in the mart
Shelters its treasure—Joy of the Sages,
Where all may enter, all may have a part.
Behold! behind the Cross, the Rock of Ages.

So God selects as He has done before
A pious woman. Ere her soul has flown,
Guided by faith, blessed with a bounteous store,
To blend the day of Moses with our own.

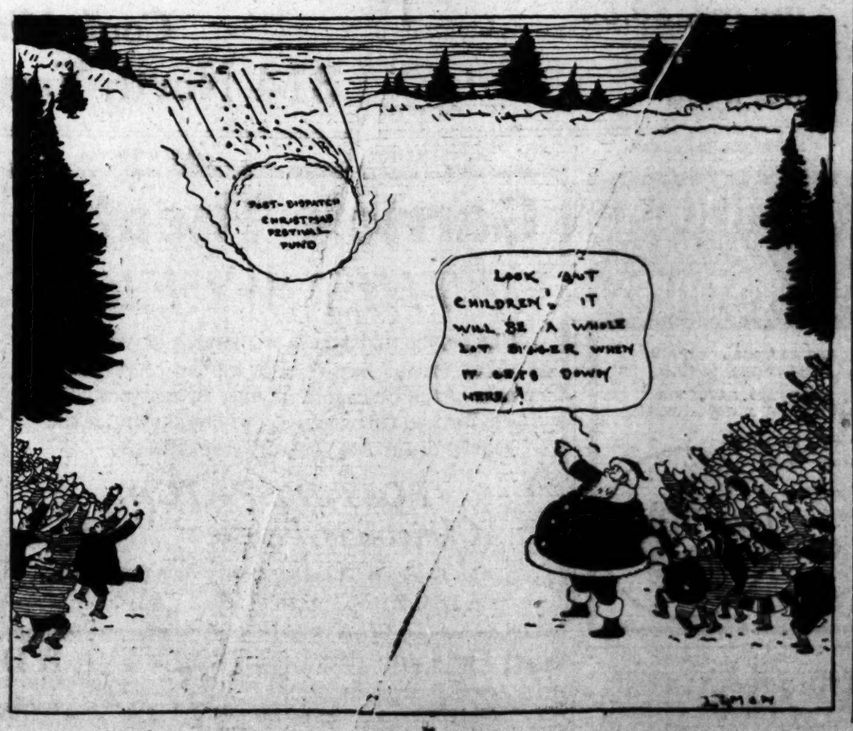
Her light so shines, and is by all men seen,
A good work done, fulfilling Scripture's story.
Oh, let this lesson teach us what they mean,
That at the last, we too, may live in Glory.

Hurst, Ill. HERBERT W. CANN.

"How do you account for youth's enthusiasm over Christmas?"

"I think it is probably due to its having had so few disappointments."

GROWING.



ANSWERS TO QUERIES

HEALTH HINTS.

A. B. C.—Collect sputum of 12 hours in a clean, wide-mouthed bottle and take it to the city dispensary, Eleventh and Market, for free examination.

SUFFERER.—To treat piles you must first know the cause. One case, caused by constipation, was cured by olive oil, simple, moderate diet and sufficient exercise. (Many constipated persons have been helped by eating bran.)

J. H. B.—Search your system for your will, and when found use it. Get busy about something, so as to forget yourself—become thoroughly interested. For 3 months don't think of yourself. The mind is a great physician, once you master it.

HOUSEHOLD HELPS.

UNSAFE CANNED GOODS.—As to safety of using canned goods which showed puncture marks and re-soldering, it was stated recently that canned vegetables and fruits were usually packed in cans which did not show puncture marks, while salmon and meat in cans did show one puncture mark under normal conditions, while more than one puncture mark in salmon and meat or a puncture mark in canned vegetables indicated spoilage. Investigation has shown that many vegetables are packed so as to show one puncture mark under normal natural conditions. If, however, there are two puncture marks upon any can, it is proof that the goods have swelled and been reprocessed.

LAW POINTS.

H. K.—It appears you have a cause of action; see an attorney.

J. H. M. C.—Neither saloonkeeper nor merchant is required to sell to anybody.

ED.—To enforce judgment of debtor in another state suit must be brought there.

MIKEL.—The note you signed for premium on life policy is legal and we advise you to pay.

READER.—To remove mortgaged furniture out of the State is a criminal act and will subject you to fine and imprisonment.

F. K.—To settle an estate takes from 12 to 24 months, not one year from beginning of probate. If over that time see Judge of court and find out cause.

READER.—Estate passing to others than children, or wife and husband, is subject to collateral inheritance tax of $5 per $100; this goes to State University.

V. P.—If the property is not a homestead it may be sold to satisfy the judgment regardless of the deed of trust of record against the same. Judgment is good for 10 years.

GRIEVED PROPERTY OWNER.—Just what sum you will be taxed (if any at all) we cannot say; neither can anyone else say at this time, so far as the central parkway is concerned.

STEADY READER.—If you purchase a reserved seat and you get none, you should apply at box office and get return of your money; but do not take it the show and complain afterwards.

B. O. A. Z.—Whether the judgment may be collectible now against estate of deceased, or later on depends upon what it consists of, the rights of widow and minor children (if any) etc.

O. A. S. J. S.—Insist upon payment according to settlement you signed; if a made, bring an action to enforce when that which was inserted after signing and without your consent w come up.

X. X.—If filed the chattel mortgage is good only for 5 years; recorded it is good as long as the notes secured thereby are good which is 10 years after their maturity respectively.

W. J. R.—A revolver beneath a wagon seat, under the circumstances described by you, is considered a concealed weapon and not permissible under the law. You may place the weapon on top of the seat, where it can be seen.

L. H. D.—Presuming tenancy is on from month to month, statute provides one month's written notice be given to terminate the tenancy by either party. Notice by landlord to sub-tenants is not necessary.

SUB.—It is criminal to conceal mortgaged furniture; if the party you gave the second mortgage was informed of the prior chattel mortgage he has no cause to complain; but if not, by so doing you may be prosecuted.

H. R. W.—Whether you would be successful in a suit for damages for injuries received at place employed depends upon facts of case, which you do not state. Company is not required to pay your wages while unable to work.

WIDOW.—Husband having devised real estate to wife for life, remainder to children, to sell it signatures of widow and children and their husbands or wives (as the case may be) are necessary. If any minors, curatorship and order of court necessary to sell their interest.

STUDY.—Look to the will as to trusteeship, duration and powers. Your coming of age would not revoke the trusteeship unless so stated; neither can you do the things you state and set any authority. Whether you can sell cannot say; the will must determine that question also.

STUDENT.—The question is one to be decided by terms of lease as to the landlord's obligation to repair, and whether he has been negligent. Even though obligated to repair, unless he has been negligent in that respect he could not be held liable for damage tenant sustained by leaky roof.

G. B.—To place mortgage of record must be acknowledged; however, without such would not effect validity of same. The note secured thereby is acknowledged by notary. When it matures is proper time to present it; (where payable) for payment. Unless mortgage is recorded your security is endangered.

POOR MAN.—If properly executed deed of trust is advertised for foreclosure at request of legal holder of note same for nonpayment of interest, taxes, etc., as stated and provided for in trust deed, there isn't anything you can do unless for some irregularity not stated by you. If legal holder has authorized the sale it may be stopped by injunction. The suit pending which you mention would not prevent the holder from foreclosing.

MISCELLANEOUS.

HARGIS.—Send Belgian relief to C. sul Seguin, 119 N. 7th.

W. E. E.—To blue steel with heat, mix finely powdered Prussian blue with rather thin shellac; gently heat the steel and apply the varnish.

G. B.—Veterinarian Shaffer answers you: Permanent teeth of hog 44, cow 32, sheep 32. The cow has neither incisor nor canine teeth in the upper jaw.

ALEXANDER.—No English-speaking theological school in or near St. Louis. Two German theological schools, Concordia (Lutheran) on South Jefferson avenue, and Eden, on the St. Charles rock road, west of Wellston.

J. D.—Tennis court dimensions: Length 78 feet; width, 36 feet; single court lines, 4½ feet inside; half court lines, 21 feet each side of net, at right angles to it; service lines, parallel with base lines, 21 feet from net on each side.

J. L. S.—To your query, "What would be the age of a big-mouth black bass 25 inches long, 17 inches around and weighing 6 pounds 4 ounces, caught in lake fed by springs 65 miles south of St. Louis?" Mr. Woods writes: "The stated dimension in length is abnormal. Fed naturally, black bass acquire 8 to 10 ounces the first year and about a pound yearly thereafter, with plenty of food supply. Cannibalism effects quickest growth." Mr. Woods has a large-mouth bass (mounted) 25 inches long, 9 inches deep. It weighs 16¼ pounds. It came from Reelfoot Lake, Tenn.

Coin Values.—Published Weekly.

VALUE.—J. A. P., '87 gold dollar, $1.00; S. C. B., 1864 half cent, $1.00.

FACE VALUE ONLY.—L. L., Kansas; A. S. Leydermilk; W. A., Belle; G.; Viola Emmanderfer; R. Buffalo; O. F.

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The Lady and the Law

The jury acquits her husband's murderer. She takes matters in her own hands, finding a voluntary witness willing to prove her innocence.

By Julia Truitt Bishop.

BOOM-BOOM! Boom-boom!

In the cabin on the hill a woman was weaving, and if one were near enough he could hear, between the muffled double-beats of the loom, the swish of the shuttle darting back and forth through the parted threads. The beat of the loom went farther. One could hear it away to the point where the road crawled around the side of the opposite hill—boom-boom, boom-boom, with a steady relentlessness, as though one of the Fates were up there, weaving the web of somebody's life.

In the cabin, a silent child sat on the floor, building a little house of sticks, and smiling at it dispassionately when it tumbled down; after which he built it up again. Not far from the silent child was the silent woman, weaving; a pale, big-eyed woman, keeping at her work with a deadly composure. She wore a faded brown homespun dress, clumsily fashioned, but on the wall in the corner hung the decent black dress and the decent black sun-bonnet which she wore abroad. When one is poor one cannot mourn every day.

A Rider Appeared.

THE bench upon which she sat as she wove was beside a window which looked out across the valley and to the other hill, and especially commanded a view of that yellow road rounding the shoulder of the hill. Soon a rider appeared.

"Well," drawled the man, slowly, his hand on his sunburnt beard, "I thought I'd come and let ye know they've cleared Bill Fowler."

She had looked at him just a moment, then the poised shuttle flew on its appointed path, and the loom set up its dull beating again.

"Looks like a man can do anything he feels like, these days, an' come free," said the man at the door, throwing one leg over the horn of the saddle. "How long is it since he killed Joe?—three years, I reckin—an' they've had changes of venue an' mistrials an' appeals, an' one dodge an' another, till everybody was about wore out with it, an' cleared 'im to git rid of 'im. An' now, here 'e is, scot free. He seemed mighty gay up in town."

The woman at the loom laid down the shuttle and turned on the bench.

"If you-all have got any seeds to spare I wisht ye'd bring me over some," she said. "I want to git ready to plant my fall gardin."

The man in the door shot a swift glance at her and then looked away with an air of absorbed interest in the landscape.

"I'll bring ye over some," he said, slowly straightening himself in the saddle. "I jes' thought I'd come by an' let ye know. I got off in a hurry before Bill left town."

The Man Rides Away.

THE woman did not answer with words. She looked at him, and he rode away, merely glancing in the most casual manner towards that little line of road that rounded the shoulder of the opposite hill.

As for the woman, what strange impulse had come upon her to arise in the midst of her work and put on her black dress—the seldom used black dress that one could not afford to wear every day?

And having put on the black dress, to sit and weave again, with the somber eyes watching that peaceful bit of road?

If one chanced to be coming along that road now, moving half in a dream through the violet haze, the earth would surely look very fair to him, especially if he had been shut in three long years from the sight of the sun. Down below there was a valley, with a hazy light drifting down upon the still tree-tops, so that they seemed like trees seen in a vision. Away yonder was a field, the thick-ranked corn shading off into yellow and, over it all the shadow of a cloud floating with broad wings outspread. From the cabin on the hill yonder came the dull beat of a loom, giving an unutterable sense of companionship and homeliness and friendliness to the scene. One might even forget for a time whose cabin that was on the hill; or even if one remembered, what of that? Three years was a long time. No woman grieved three years.

And so reflecting, and so riding blithely on through the free air and the sunlight, whistling a gay tune and smiling in between, it would perhaps shock one more than the recoil of the horse, even, to turn a sharp bend of the road and come suddenly face to face with a woman in black leaning on a rifle, and looking at one with somber eyes.

She Meets Him Face to Face.

HE had never been a coward—had he?—he could not remember—but there was that in her face that was not good to look upon. Without knowing what he was doing, he dismounted from his horse and left the animal to graze, which the horse did, very indifferently.

"So them lawyers has set ye free, Bill?" she said, leaning composedly on the rifle.

He tried to recover himself.

"Not the lawyers, Ellen—the jury," he corrected. "They said it was a fair trial. You are too broad-minded to hold a grudge against me, Ellen, after all these years—and after the law has declared that I am innocent."

She still leaned upon the rifle, but she was smiling at him now. The smile was dreadful to look upon.

"I'm glad the law done all it could for ye," she said, gently.

"Thank you, Ellen," he cried, reassured. "There were times when I felt dreadfully depressed, for it did seem for awhile that—well, I didn't know what was going to happen. But my lawyers have certainly worked hard to bring me through; and now that I know how you look at it"—

"Yes," she said, without moving. "Ye've had your chance with the law, an' it's freed ye; an' ye was feelin' pretty good as ye came up the hill there, wasn't ye? I heerd ye whistlin'. Then I knowed you had forgot that ye hadn't reckined with me. Well, here I am."

His face was white, all at once, and his hands trembled.

"Ellen!" he cried, crushing down the impulse to turn and run from this grim, impassive woman who had been waiting for him all these years, while his lawyers were moving heaven and earth to set him free. "Ellen!"

"You've got through with the law—it's a pretty easy law, ain't it?—an' now it's my turn. They ain't so much dif'rence, after all, between dyin' in a jail with a rope aroun' yer neck an' dying' on the road within a mile of home."

He looked abroad in one swift glance over the lands he knew, and his face grew ghastly. Then he kept his eyes on hers.

"What's the use of talking about dying?" he asked, jocularly, moving a slow step toward her. "It will be time enough to talk of dying when the time comes." A step, a very little step, nearer. "You ought not to be hard on me, Ellen; you and I were sweethearts, you know, before Joe came along—and even if I had killed him for taking my sweetheart away from me"—

"That's Over" She Said.

HE had calculated his distance nicely, so that he could seize her at the end of that leap; but he had not calculated her. One moment she stood there, a statue in black, leaning on a rifle, calm, composed, looking him in the eyes. The next second the flash and the burst of doom caught him in the face as he sprang.

"That's over," she said calmly, aloud, to the Thing that lay at her feet. Then she stood the gun against a tree and rolled it over the edge of the hill.

When the woman in black went into the cabin presently, the child still had the sticks, but he was playing a new game. It was a beautiful game. "Stand up there," he said to one of the sticks, and with another stick held to his shoulder, he said "Pow!" And the stick fell, and he rolled it into a corner.

The woman bent over the loom, mending a broken thread in the middle of the cloth.

Boom-boom! The loom began its dull heart-beat, weaving a shroud.

At the end of the day a man rode up to the door.

"I brought ye over a package o' them seeds for yer fall garden, Ellen," he said, casually. "An' I thought I'd come by an' let ye know somebody'd killed Bill Fowler down the hill there, by the ol' pine stump. You was so busy weavin' I reckin' ye never noticed the firin'."

He paused and twisted a knotted hand into his sunburnt beard.

"I was waterin' my horse down there at the creek, an' I heerd yer loom goin' all the time," he added, carefully. "You'll find them reddish seeds a mighty good kind."

"Pow!" said the child, and another stick fell prone, and was pushed out of sight.

The woman took the package of seeds and stood in the door, looking out at the sunset.

"I reckin I'll plant tomorrow," she said, softly. "It's a-cloudin' up for rain."

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Who's the best dancer in St. Louis

Why Rabbits Have Long Ears

Sandman Story of the Bad Boy Rabbit Who Peeped at Santa Claus and the Punishment He Got for It.

By Mrs. F. A. Walker.

IT was the night before Christmas, and Jack Rabbit was standing near the table watching his mother wash the supper dishes.

"Mother," he called softly, "what time will Santa get here, do you think?"

"It is time for you to go to bed," said his mother, "and if you don't hurry and go to sleep you will have longer ears than you have now, like the naughty little rabbit my grandmother used to tell me about."

"Oh! tell me about him. What did he do that was naughty, mother?"

"If you will be very still and not ask any more questions," said his mother, "I will tell you about him while you are undressing.

"Once upon a time," she began, "our family did not have long ears as they do now, but short ones like the cat.

"One night, and it was the night before Christmas, just like this, little Johnnie Rabbit was told to go to bed and not fuss, because if he did Santa Claus would not leave him any presents. Johnnie Rabbit was a very inquisitive fellow, and that is why he got all of his descendants into trouble.

"'I want to see Santa Claus,' he said to himself. 'I have heard a lot about him, and I am going to see for myself if he really has whiskers and carries a pack on his back.'

"OF course, that was all very naughty for Johnnie Rabbit to think, because good little boys do as they are told and do not wonder if all they are told is true, but Johnnie Rabbit did, and so he covered up his head and listened.

"He had to wait a long time, you may be sure, because Santa Claus does not leave his home until very, very late, and by and by Johnnie heard a pattering on the roof that he thought at first was rain, but in a second he remembered and knew it was the reindeer.

"'Here he is,' thought naughty Johnnie, and in a minute more he heard a bump on the floor right by the fireplace.

"Then Johnnie Rabbitt did a very foolish thing—he peeped out from under the bed clothes, and Santa, who sees everything at a glance, saw Johnnie Rabbit's nose and eyes.

"Ha! Ha!" said Santa, walking over to the bed, 'so you stayed awake, did you? Thought you would see for yourself.'

"I can tell you, Johnnie Rabbit was scared, and he tried to hide under the bed clothes, but it was of no use, Santa Claus had him by the ear and pulled him out of bed.

"'Now, look at me,' he said, still holding Johnnie Rabbit by the ear 'You see I have whiskers, and I do carry a pack, but there is nothing in it for boys who lie awake.'

"All this time Johnnie was trying to pull away, and when at last Santa let go of his ear, what do you think had happened?"

JACKIE was too much interested to ask his mother, and his mother said; "Why, the ear that Santa Claus had pulled was three times as long as the other.

"When Santa saw what had happened he pulled Johnnie Rabbit out of bed again, for he jumped back in his bed the minute old Santa let go of his ear.

"'I will have to make both look alike,' said Santa, taking hold of the other ear and giving it a good, hard pull.

"'No, it is not as long as the other,' he said, letting go and looking at Johnnie Rabbit, 'I will have to give it another pull,' and he did.

"Now, you can get back into bed,' said Santa, 'and next year you go to sleep just as your mother tells you if you want any Christmas presents.'

"That is the way we happened to have long ears," said Jack's mother. "All the rabbits from that day have had long ears."

When Jackie's mother leaned over to kiss him good night she did not him to go right to sleep. She kne did not need telling that night, an fore she had reached the bottom Jackie was dreaming of a row of eared rabbits sitting in front o bed, each holding up a paw as in ing, and with the other paw they eet to their ears.

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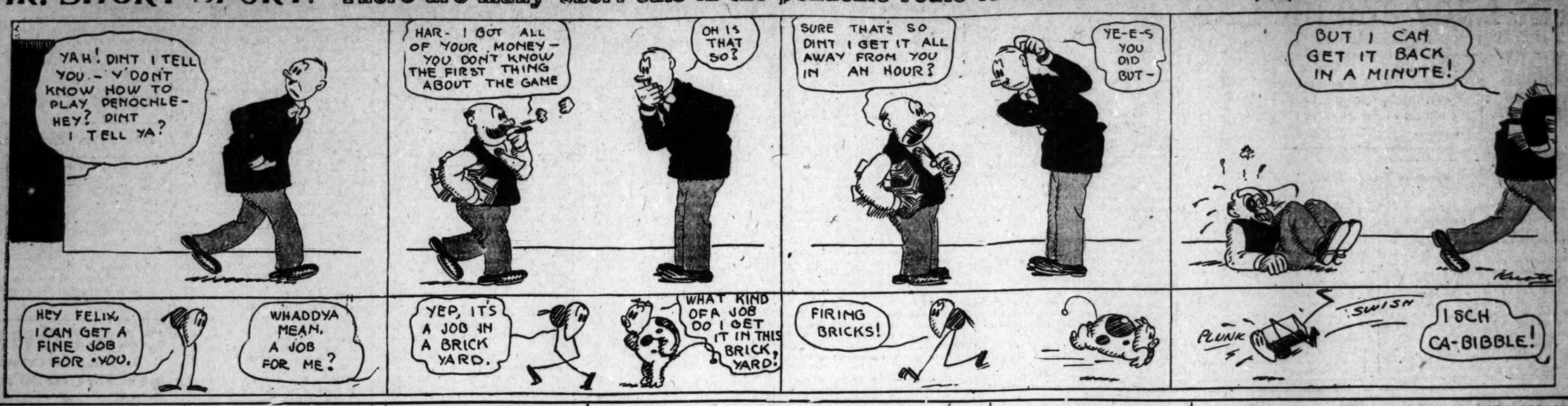
By JEAN KNOTT.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ROBISON SOCCER PLAYERS FACING A NEW BLACKLIST

ly Playing Canadian Team Here Dec. 25, Ban Will Go on League Forever.

PEACE NOT IN SIGHT

tle Chance That the "Outlaw" Body Will Be Taken In by State Organization.

According to a telegram received here y the officials of the Robison Field ccer League, the request for admis- ion by the local "outlaw" organiza- ion into the National fold was re- erred by the Eastern heads of the nited States of America Football As- ociation to its Missouri Division for onsideration.

Previously the organization and some f the players were in disrepute ecause of suspensions following the laying of the Toronto Club, last year.

This year the Robison Field has again heduled a Canadian eleven, the Ham- ton (Ont.) team, for holiday dates, ere. According to the same dispatch, the local league played games with utlawed elevens such as Hamilton, be- ore its admission to the fold, it would e "blacklisted for all time," and the layers now on its roster would suffer he same penalty.

There is no meeting of the Missouri tate Association, of the national foot- all organization scheduled for this ear. The only way the matter can be eaceably adjusted is for the State ody to call a special meeting to con- der the case of the Robison Field out- t.

Outlaws Eager to Join.

The Robison Field officials an- ounce they are more than willing to ome in and want to arrange holi- ay games with the rival St. Louis ague clubs, rather than with out- f-town teams.

Officials of the Missouri State or- anization would not, this morning, tate what would be done about alling a special meeting to consider he Robison Field case.

As matters now stand the future f the Robison Field League is di- ectly up to action by the officers f organized body. The Federal eague is supposed to have a strong ull with this organization.

At present only three leagues rep- esent the Missouri Division of the ational Football Association, the ederal Soccer League, Kansas City nd the East St. Louis League. At he last meeting of the Missouri Di- ision only two of the leagues were epresented—the Federal and East t. Louis, respectively, while Presi- ent Bland was absent owing to ill- ess, and not much could be done nasmuch as the proper officials of he league were not present to carry ut the regular routine of business f the division and to act or refuse o act upon applications for admis- ion.

Understand we are shortly to receive visit from our old friend, Col. Zero Weather. The Colonel was sighted in he offing at an early hour this morn- g. He will be accompanied as usual y his old side partner, Gen. Busi- ess Revival. Welcome, Colonel, you'll nd the latch string right under the oor knob.

SPORT SALAD

BY L. C. DAVIS

Camp's Champs.

"WHAT do you think of Walter's pick?"

Said Rooter-on-Parade.

"He makes me sick! He makes me sick!"

The Husky Tackle said.

"They're all humdingers, are they not?"

Said Rooter-on-Parade.

"They're just an ordinary lot."

The Husky Tackle said.

"For, believe me, he is biased and the West he always snubs;
His so-called all-Americans are but a bunch of dubs
Who ought to all be playing on a team of junior scrubs,
And we'll pick 'em all to pieces in the mornin'."

The Daily Pill.

The Fool Killer never has to worry about a closed season.

Roger Bresnahan has taken on about the biggest order of any manager in baseball. The "Duke" will undertake to manage the Cubs, Heine Zim and himself, either one of which is a man's job.

With a squad of 58 men, John McGraw is just one man shy of six full ball teams.

A morning contemporary informs us that there are many farmers on the Browns. Their specialty doesn't seem to be raising pennants.

Honus Wagner admits that he is 41 years old. Keep it quiet, Honus, no one would take you for a day over 55.

Who said the National League magnates didn't transact any important business at their annual meeting? They had their picture taken.

The doctors are telling us how to add 15 years to life. The woman, God bless 'em, solved the problem of substracting 15 years from life long ago.

We are informed that Harry Stevens, the purveyor of "hot dogs" and horse-radish, will remain loyal to the National League and continue to serve the superheated bow-wows and delectable double-jointed goober peas to the famished fans at Polo Grounds.

Not the Same.

Ban Johnson believes that Jake Rupper is about to buy. Line up, fellows.

Next to a wine manufacturer, probably nobody would receive a heartier welcome to the ranks by the national commission than Col. Jake, the suds magnate.

By training in Cuba this spring, the St. Louis Feds will get a little service out of their expensive bench polisher, Armando Marsans.

It is reported that "Cozy" Dolan will remain in Hawaii and organize a baseball league. "Cozy" says he never saw such custard pies as there are in Honolulu. All you have to do is to shake a custard pie tree and the cost of high living is solved then and there.

AUSTIN SAYS HE HASN'T SIGNED A FED CONTRACT

However, Pepper Jim Has an Offer and May Do So at Any Minute.

By W. J. O'Connor.

Jimmy Austin, who shakes the pepper box for Branch Rickey's spicy performers, is a perturbed spirit these days. Jim is in this predicament: He wants a three-year contract for a fat salary and up to our time of going to press the only person who had offered him such a document was a Federal League agent.

Jim doesn't fancy the idea of deserting the Browns, a bunch of gay gazelles that he almost wasted one lung on. Jim vocalized the Browns into fifth place last season and was proud of his work, even though he has to sleep in the open air to keep his voice from beating a hasty retreat. But when the season was over Jim asked for a three-year contract and Rickey "trun him down."

In answer to a query from the Post-Dispatch, Austin this morning sent the following telegram:

"I haven't signed with the Federal League, but I have a good proposition from Pittsburg."

Saturday night from Chicago came a rumor that President Gilmore of the Feds had acquired a signature of one of the best third basemen in baseball to a Fed contract. By a process of elimination the Chicago dopesters arrived at the conclusion that the man in question was either Austin or Fritz Maisel of New York.

Lobert the Man.

Now it seems this reasoning was false. The man in question probably is none other than Hans Lobert, and he unquestionably will wind-up right here in St. Louis. From New York today it was learned that Lobert's 10-day notice had expired and the Teutonic third-sacker was ready to take the hurdle. It also is pertinent to mention that Manager McGraw of the Giants has called off negotiations with Philadelphia on a gigantic deal for Lobert, Dooin and Magee. The chances are these men are booked for the Fed circuit.

If the outlaws succeed in snaring these three players the only thing left in Quaker town will be the franchise and Grover Cleveland Alexander. Alex is a star, but the franchise isn't worth much more than a perforated dime.

Miller Huggins' excursion to Philadelphia also probably has proved a fizzle. Despite all reports to the contrary, Sherwood Magee would not welcome a change to St. Louis. Sherwood's home is in Philadelphia and a ball player who has played in the East as long as he has doesn't fancy the idea of closing his career in St. Louis. So it looks very much as though the Cardinals will go to the post without Sherwood and possibly without Lee, who knocked down the bars getting over the outlaw hurdle a month ago.

They are playing a new game in New York this winter, called "Selling the Yanks." It is a modification of the game of "Buying the Cubs," which created such a furor in Chicago earlier in the season.

St. Louis U. Admitted to Valley Conference Rank

St. Louis Lost the Biggest Athletic Event West of the Mississippi, When Washington Failed to Ask Return of the Valley Conference Track Meet.

By Philip E. Bradley.

Missouri University Representative of the Post-Dispatch.

COLUMBIA, MO., Dec. 14.

THE next Missouri Valley track meet will be held at Columbia, it was decided at the conference of the valley coaches and faculty representatives at Lincoln, Neb., last week. This is the first time a valley meet has come to Columbia, formerly Kansas City, Des Moines and St. Louis having been favored places.

Last year it was held at the Washington U. stadium, but from a financial point of view seems not to have been a success, nor was the attendance as large as it is expected to be at Columbia.

Invitations will be extended to all the important schools in the conference territory and about 15 schools are expected to be represented. Last year Chicago, Stanford, Colorado, Nebraska, Missouri, Kansas U., Northwestern, Kansas Aggies, Drake, Rolla, Washington and Ames competed and these schools and others will probably send teams next June.

Tigers Lose Several Point Men.

Last year the Missouri team finished fifth, but Moss and Thatcher, who scored her only points, are not in school, and other first-class men, such at Hutsell, Groves and Terry, will not be eligible. Of the crack freshman team which was expected to do wonders this year, a good many have not returned to school. According to Schulte, the loss of Rennick, a dash and hurdles man; Miller and Nellkirk, long distance men, and Stout, a middle distance performer, who is attending Washington University, has cost Missouri between 25 and 35 points in dual meets and 15 or 20 points in the conference meet.

There still remain some fast men from the freshman team of last year, of whom Simpson is predicted to be a conference star. He does everything on the track from the dashes and hurdles to the broad and high jump. Neidorp and Haines are two of last year's freshmen who are counted on to make good. All in all, Coach Schulte says, the prospects are as good, if not better, than were those of last year.

St. Louis University was admitted to the list of schools of conference rank. In any contest with members of the conference, St. Louis University will be required to play under conference rules. The school is not a member of the conference, but it is possible it may become one in the future.

Tigers Play Pikers Feb. 8-9.

The basket ball schedule has been announced for the coming season and is considered favorable to the Missouri quint. On Feb. 8 and 9 the Washington U. five will be encountered at Columbia for two games. The following week the team takes a trip and plays the Kansas Aggies at Manhattan on Feb. 16 and 17, and Kansas U. at Lawrence on the 19th and 20th. K. U. is taken on again at Columbia on the 24th and 25th, and the Aggies on March 1 and 2. The team closes its season at St. Louis with the Pikers on March 5 and 6. A few preliminary games have been arranged which should put the Tiger bunch in good form. Some strong teams will be met, including probably Tarkio College on Jan. 9 or 16, the Oklahoma University team the next week and the strong Warrensburg five about Feb. 2.

"Prep" League Standing.

SCHOOL.	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
McKinley	2	0	1000
Yeatman	2	0	1000
Soldan	0	2	.000
Central	0	2	.000

Saturday's results: McKinley 50, Central 15. Yeatman 32, Soldan 18.

The schedule includes only four of the conference schools. This is because of a division made last year in order to cut down traveling expenses and to give the players more time for their studies than they would have if they made more trips and played each conference team one game instead of each of three teams two games. Nebraska, Ames and Drake play for the championship in their division. No arrangement has been made for a championship game between the two divisions, but it there is a doubt as to the conference championship, a game will be arranged. Inasmuch as the Kansas Aggies play Nebraska anyway this year and Kansas U. plays Ames, the relative strength of all teams can perhaps be ascertained without the extra game.

YOU CAN MAKE BOTH ENDS MEET if you buy your Christmas gifts on credit at Loftis Bros. & Co., the National Credit Jewelers, 2d floor, 308 N. 6th st. Open evenings.

Prep Basket Title Lies Between Yeatman and McKinley High Fives

Saturday evening's games in the local Interscholastic Basketball League brought forth one conclusion, that is, that the Yeatman and McKinley High School fives are the "class" of the "prep" circuit. Soldan showed signs of improvement, although all title hopes seem to have disappeared. Central made a weak showing, as may be expected when it is necessary to build a team out of a bunch of youngsters, on two days' notice, before the season opens.

If we were to take our pick as to what school has the rosiest chances of landing the scholastic title, we would take the crimson-hosed players of McKinley High. Here is a team, well balanced, having a pair of forwards who show an extraordinary ability to cage the ball, have excellent team play and are very good on the defense. The guards, from the scores run up by opposing teams, are excellent. Coach Voss has always drilled his teams in this department. As a result, McKinley has always led in the winter game.

Yeatman, with a team of veterans, is showing very well. The North Enders play a fast and aggressive game. This team also showed to advantage last year, but the forwards seemed to be woefully weak when it came to caging the ball. This weakness evidently has been overcome, as, when one forward totals 20 points, which Krause did Saturday, and when a guard lands three field goals as Kamp did, the five does not lack scoring ability.

Yeatman meets McKinley Saturday night, and this game should prove a bang-up affair, as both teams are about on a par, judging by comparative scores of the Soldan and Central games.

Soldan, with but one veteran on the team, is advancing well. Ottofy, at center, and Warner and Patton, the forwards, all seem promising, and with a bit of experience should make very good forwards. Central, with the exception of Claude McElwee, is an entirely new team and, despite game efforts, seems to be unable to get together. It is rumored that the three regulars who are out of the game, one because of a disagreement with the faculty and two owing to low scolastic conditions, will soon return to the game.

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Additional Sporting News

JOE MANDOT HAS EDGE ON CALLAHAN IN TONIGHT'S BOUT

Experience, Skill and Weight Will Be in Favor of the New Orleans Fighter.

By Harry S. Sharpe,
Referee for the Future City A. C. and the Post-Dispatch's Boxing Authority.

Frankie Callahan boxes Joe Mandot, the "Southern champion," tonight at Memphis, before the Southern A. C. The bout will be for eight rounds and the boxers have agreed to weigh in at 133 pounds at 3 p. m.

This weight should be easy enough for both, and the bout should be a good one. Mandot, who seems to be in good form just now, judging from the manner in which he bested Johnnie Kilbane, the feather-weight champion, a few days ago, has had more experience than his opponent, is a better boxer and probably will have a slight advantage in the weight.

This is a handicap that Callahan will find hard to offset, and it is doubtful if he can win from the clever Southerner, at one time thought to be the coming lightweight champion.

Word comes from Jimmy Bronson, matchmaker of the Southwest A. C. of Joplin, Mo., and manager of Jeff Clarke, "the fighting ghost," that the ghost glided into the wilderness of the Ozark Mountains bent on a hunting trip last Monday and has not been heard from since.

Clarke recently defeated "Young" Jack Johnson, a colored heavyweight of Memphis, Tenn., at Juarez, Mexico, and was matched to box Jack Lester 20 rounds there today, and Bronson is wondering what has happened to his boxer.

Hanson Returns.

Jack Hanson returned to St. Louis after his defeat by Bobby Waugh at Joplin, Mo., last Tuesday night, having been knocked out in the thirteenth round, but returns there tomorrow night to prepare for a 15-round bout with Frankie Adams, to take place on next Friday night.

Adams was knocked out by Hanson before the Future City A. C. in the fifth round on Nov. 26, but Adams, who is managed by Jimmy Bronson, believes he was unlucky on that occasion and asked for another match, to take place in Joplin, where he is a great favorite. It is stated that Bronson is willing to wager $250 on Adams' chances against Hanson in the return bout.

In connection with Jack Hanson's recent visit to Joplin for his bout with Bobby Waugh, one of the local papers there printed the following:

"Frankie Callahan of Brooklyn is considered the lightweight card in St. Louis just now, owing to a referee's decision in favor of the Brooklyn boy over Hanson. Therefore, Callahan has been matched with Charlie White by the Coliseum A. C. of Mound City. Hanson declares he can whip six Callahans before breakfast every morning, and says all St. Louis referees should be shot at sunrise."

Rodel Coming Here.

George Rodel, the "Fighting Boer," is expected in St. Louis this week. He anticipates a match with Al Norton at Kansas City for about the middle of January.

Norton boxes Tom McMahon, "The Pittsburg Bearcat," at Kansas City, on New Year's day.

Callahan is matched to box Johnny King six rounds at Alton, Ill., on new Year's night.

Kelly Deserved Draw.

According to the Shreveport (La.) Journal, the recent 15-round bout which took place in that city between Leo Kelly of St. Louis and Bobby Waugh of Fort Worth, Tex., a draw verdict would have been fair, instead of Referee Jack Fisher's decision to Waugh. The paper says:

"The fighters measured up about equally in scientific movements, neither was marked to any appreciable extent, both were smiling shortly before the final gong sounded, and in all other features it certainly struck many of the spectators that it was a no-decision affair. Had it been awarded that way, no error would have been committed, and Waugh and Kelly might have been matched again soon with interest keen as to the outcome of the second engagement.

"When the final gong was struck Referee Fisher apparently started from the ring. As he reached one corner as if to leave, Waugh and Kelly approached, each holding up a glove. Fisher, turning as if recalling the fact that he had given no decision, caught hold of Waugh's mitt and raised it, rejecting Kelly's, which many thought he also expected to hoist. Then the howl of disapproval was heard in conjunction with a roar of applause."

Kelly is matched to box Dick Wells at Hot Springs, Ark., on next Tuesday night and Wildcat Ferns or Jack Denny at Shreveport, La., on Jan. 1.

CLARKE, HERE, IS UNABLE TO FIND JUMPER ED. KONEY

First Sacker Who Hurdled to Pittfeds Fails to Communicate With Former Boss.

The National League raid on the Federal League forces was begun rather unsuccessfully today when Fred Clarke made a flying visit from Pittsburg to interview Ed Koney, his former star first sacker, who has signed with the Pittsburg outlaws.

Clarke wore his gum shoes and tried to cover his tracks, failing to register at any of the hotels. However, he interviewed several of Koney's friends, trying to find the big first sacker. Koney remained in hiding, he having no intention of returning to the Pirates.

Not long ago when peace seemed in sight, the Pittsburg officials berated Koney, saying he wasn't fit for class A league ball. But when the peace plans failed and it looked as though Koney was lost to Dreyfuss, every effort was made to regain him. Hence Clarke's hurried visit here.

Koney recently told friends he wouldn't return to the Pirates for double the salary he is to get from the Feds. Koney and Clarke hadn't collided late this afternoon.

Gilbert Gallant, the rushing, slam-bang lightweight of Boston, who is to take on Johnny Young Lustig, the New York lightweight, for 10 rounds in Brooklyn on Saturday night, has also been matched to meet Phil Brock, the Cleveland fighter, for 10 rounds at a boxing show to be held at Columbus, O., on New Year's afternoon. They will battle at 135 pounds, weigh in at 10 a. m.

WRAY'S COLUMN

Five Years More of Stallings.

THE signing of George Stallings by the Braves for five years assures the National League of a hot time, for that period, in the matter of pennant competition. Stallings' history as a leader of big league clubs, whatever exceptions may be taken to his methods, shows he is THERE, with capitals.

Stallings, however, is of the school that thinks playing a game to win consists in turning an X-ray on the enemy's family affairs and personal history, lassoing the opposition's nanny, and bandying hard and doubting words about his ancestry, ability and backbone.

Having said and done everything short of provoking homicide, the Stallings' idea is to go around after the game, shake the defeated man heartily by the hand and say: "It's all in the game, old boy. I didn't mean a thing that I said, awhile ago."

Stallings ought to get rid of such tactics. They are little, petty. After all, the idea is not how sensitive a man may be about his personal affairs, but whether he can play baseball better than his fellows. The sooner Stallings forgets McGrawisms, the better for the game.

There are ways of showing gameness other than by scourging the enemy with jeers at his family troubles.

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Well, Little Lost.

THE apparent loss of Sherwood Magee will not worry St. Louis followers of the Cardinals. Magee was a slugger, but he did much of his handiwork with his fists instead of with his bat. As a bad type of baseball player Magee fills the bill.

As nearly as can be ascertained he caused a world of trouble for Philadelphia managers in any one of several ways. Magee is an allround player. But that let's him out, in desirability.

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Bad Time to Ask Favors.

THE refusal of the National Commission to grant further favors to David Fultz's Baseball Fraternity was expected. At this time the fraternity resembles very strongly the fox which hung around the outskirts of the combat between the lion and the tiger, who were quarreling over a carcass.

Dave and his pals expect to be able to grab the prize while the battling giants disable themselves. The Fraternity has picked the wrong time for social favors. And if members put it in the other light, that of crowding the magnates when they are down, the proposition is still less fair to the mind's eye.

The players have already handed themselves a black eye, in the eyes of the fans, by their absolute lack of any sort of loyalty to the magnates. It's all right to get the money; but grabbing it is another thing.

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As to L. Magee.

LEE MAGEE is one of the young men who lifts a wail inviting sympathy of the public with his leap to the Feds. But here's where Lee gets off:

Returning from the world's tour a $3000 a year (or less) star, he was greeted at the boat by a St. Louis representative who slipped him an offer that made Lee faint. It was an increase of $3000 a year, making his total $6000 per season.

Added to this Britton slipped Lee a bonus of $1200, at the close of the baseball year, raising the young gentleman's salary to $7200 for the season. That's pretty liberal and ought to be considered a sufficient evidence of an employer's good will to invite a return in the form of loyalty.

But Lee was dazzled by a $1000 or more increase from the Feds and fell for it.

Loyalty that can't appreciate a salary double what the player is worth, will not stand any tap at all and is, therefore, a poor asset to have around. It's likely to throw you down at any time.

Magee's case is multiplied many times in baseball. The fans, therefore, can be expected to be about as warm toward some of the players as a landlord is toward a tenant's plea for more heat. For landlord's temperatures see "zero" and "minus."

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Faculty Regulation.

COLLEGE and high school athletics are being facultied to exhaustion. Faculties are "butting-in" beyond all reason in the management of student athletic affairs. It would seem that student activities out of school hours should only be limited if they interfere with scolastic progress, where the young men live at home.

The average faculty today adds to its teaching function, that of moral, social and athletic control. In the cases of high school boys and young men attending universities, while living in their own homes, what professors have to do with the action of students out of hours has not been at all times clear.

Good conduct and good student averages ought to entitle a scholar to dispose of his out-of-school hours as he sees fit. If any interference is needed why not let the parent attend to it?

McGraw's Deal for Dooin Off; Magee May Jump

Feds, in Final Raid on Phillies, May Take Three Stars, New York Hears.

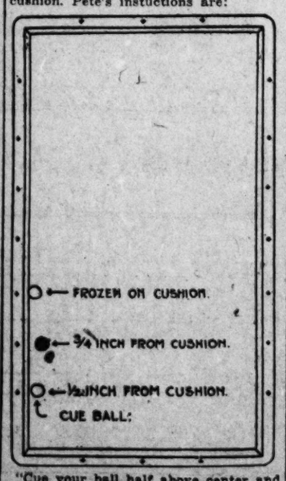
NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The deal between the Giants and the Philadelphia club, involving Dooin, Lobert and Magee and several players under contract to play with New York, has been abandoned, according to Manager John McGraw.

The trade fell through, the Giants' leader said, because the Philadelphia management refused to consider any deal in which Lobert and Magee were mentioned. It was also stated today that Manager McGraw considered Dooin's demand for $7500 a year for three years a trifle excessive, especially when it would be necessary to give several players for him.

A week ago Dooin served 10 days' notice of his intention of leaving the Philadelphia club. He promised President Baker he would do nothing until the 10-day limit was up. Now Dooin contends he is a fre agent, at liberty to do as he pleases. It is expected that Dooin will jump to the Baltimore Federals.

Here's the Answer to Post-Dispatch's First Cue Problem

MANY cue fans were puzzled by the accompanying diagram, published last week in the Post-Dispatch, and few of those who expressed an opinion "saw" the shot as Charley Peterson says it should be made. Peterson's correct execution is a follow for position, making the carom after the red ball kisses the white ball off the cushion. Pete's instuctions are:



"Cue your ball half above center and half to right of center and hit object ball half left of center. Play a slow stroke

Sympathy Strike May Be Declared at Central High

Students Wrought Up Over Refusal of Principal to Award Football Letters.

Working the entire season on the football eleven without even being awarded with the school emblems, the letters, and also not having the usual banquet is the proposition facing some 16 students of Central High School.

Several of the members of the team, when it came time to turn in the gridiron paraphernalia, were shy several pieces of the togs. One member of the team is minus an entire suit, while shoes, headgears and jerseys are among the other missing articles.

The students claimed that the articles were stolen from the Robison Field clubhouse lockers, where the regalia was kept. Principal Chester B. Curtis of Central High School stated that unless the articles were turned in last Friday the emblems or the banquet would not be forthwithcoming.

Mr. Curtis called the boys of the team to a meeting Friday afternoon and gave them an extension of the time in which to return the missing articles. The boys at the beginning of the season sign for the armour and are held responsible for it.

It is stated by a number of students that it was declared that all athletics would ceease at Central High School unless the articles were accounted for.

Members of the basket ball team have declared that they would play no longer if the football team is not awarded its letters.

A meeting of the Athletic Council, an organization made up of nine members of the faculty and nine students chosen by the students of the school that is supposed to run the school athletics, will be held Wednesday afternoon. The matter will probably be decided at this meeting.

HARRY: I'll be your sweetheart if you buy me a diamond ring for a Christmas gift at Loftis Bros. & Co., the National Credit Jewelers, 2d floor, 308 N. 6th st. Open evenings.

Charles ("Red") Dooin is trying to start a game of "catcher" with himself as "it." But nobody seems anxious to tag the red-topped terror of the Schuylkill.

INNISFAILS-MILLERS ARE LEAGUE LEADERS

ALTHOUGH the St. Leos trimmed the Ben Millers, 3—2, yesterday afternoon at Federal League Park, the latter team still is leading the league by a slim margin of one point. In the other game, the Columbian A. C. team whipped the Compton Hills, 4—3, the latter club having yet to win a game.

At Robison Field the Innisfails maintained their position at the top of the ladder by defeating the Manewals, 4—0. The Columbus Club went over, 4—1, at the expense of the Teresas. Standing of the teams:

Athletic Park League.

TEAMS.	W.	L.	T.	Pts.
Ben Millers	5	1	1	11
St. Leos	4	1	2	10
Columbian A. C.	2	3	2	6
Compton Hills	0	6	1	1

Robison Field League.

TEAMS.	W.	L.	T.	Pts.
Innisfails	5	2	1	11
Columbus Club	4	3	1	9
Teresas	2	3	3	7
Manewals	2	5	1	5

POST-DISPATCH RECORD OF MARKETS

LEHIGH VALLEY FEATURES TRADE IN WALL STREET

Stock Jumps Five Points to 138; Other Issues Score Wide Gains.

By Leased Wire From the New York Bureau of the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—The Evening Post, in its copyrighted financial review today, says:

"Apparently, three main influences united to cause the further spectacular advance in stocks on the Exchange today. Outside investors or speculators, hitherto hesitant, have been persuaded in many instances to buy, through the mere sight of Saturday's unexpected rise in prices.

"Both they and the Wall street community itself have been definitely cheered by cumulative reports of a forthcoming rate decision in favor of the railways. Furthermore, there was evidence today of a somewhat belated buying of stocks to cover outstanding sales for the decline.

"Whatever the most essential cause the underlying fact was the market's positive reflections of the return of financial confidence—a movement which, indeed, has been going on very rapidly during the three past weeks. It is now in the least unreasonable, in view of all previous experience, to look for the early spreading of this new-born financial hopefulness into the channels of production and general trade.

"Whether the stock market itself may not have been 'discounting' matters a bit impulsively, and setting a rather rapid pace in its recovery, is a question on which opinions may not all agree.

Price Movement a Surprise.

"The governing influences which surround the movement, both of American industry and of American financial values, are so new to the financial world, so vast in their scope of operation, and yet so complicated by the counter action of conflicting forces (the huge but orderly expansion of credit and currency facilities, for instance, as against the destruction of capital), that wise men hesitate to be too dogmatic in predicting.

"But the one central fact remains that the general collapse in prices which had been so greatly dreaded and to avert which the long suspension of trading and the numerous official precautions were adopted, has not materialized at all.

"Instead the verdict of the financial community thus far has been that prices, in the end of July war panic went actually too low. It remains for the test of continued and broadening transactions on the Stock Exchange to determine the more permanent balance. Lehigh Valley was the strongest stock of the day, and gained 50 points in trading up to 138.

"Prices for stocks opened generally a quarter to a half point above Saturday's closings; then, on active buying, resumed last week's upward movement. Long before the day was over, advances of 3 to 5 points had been made in such stocks as Reading, Northern Pacific, Amalgamated Copper and Lehigh Valley, with very numerous gains of 1 to 3 points elsewhere in the market.

"What these renewed advances meant, on a basis of longer comparison, may be judged from the fact that half a dozen of the day's most active shares touched prices this afternoon 4 to 8 points above Friday's final prices in the clearing house, and 7 to 13 points above the final figures of July 30.

"It will readily enough be admitted, all other things considered, that this is rapid 'discounting,' even of continued easy money and of a 5 per cent rate advance conceded to the railways.

"Stocks which were still dealt in today, only under Stock Exchange clearing house supervision, shared in the strength of the open market, notably Steel common. The upward movement in fact extended generally through the bond market.

"So far as the foreign exchange market was concerned, interest converged largely on the further fall in the price for German exchange. This attracted a good deal of attention, in view of the sharp rise of last week on what then appeared to be buying of Berlin bills with which to pay for securities sold here for German account.

"As against a quotation of 90½ at the close of trading last Saturday, and 93 touched last Wednesday, the rate today declined to 89¼, which is again abnormally adverse to Berlin. The decline was partly due to the large exports of cotton to Germany. It was evident also, however, that the buying of exchange last week was sufficient to care for most of the requirements which under normal conditions would not have been financed until this week. Sterling bills were ¼c down at 4.87.

"An interesting feature was the number of new loans under tentative negotiations. The investment demand was fairly broad, and high-grade securities were in good request, both by investors and institutions. Most of the 'institution buying' was in short-term securities, especially bonds having only a few years to run.

"The public also sent in a good many buying orders for notes having a year or two to run. Some of the insurance companies have been buyers, although these institutions have had large demands made upon them in connection with the requests from policy holders for loans on policy contracts.

"This business has grown to a considerable extent of late and with one company which formerly was a large investor in high-grade bonds the present demand from policy holders calls for loans aggregating $15,000,000 a year."

DETAILED REPORT OF THE TRADING ON WALL STREET

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Business on the Stock Exchange today opened with every outward indication of a restoration of normal conditions. The general rise in prices which marked the resumption of operations last Saturday was continued, although fewer issues were traded in during the first half hour. During that period trading was limited largely to the copper group, which rose to 2¼ points. Reading, Lehigh Valley, Erie and St. Paul also materially extended last Saturday's gains.

Atchison and Pennsylvania were among the few prominent issues to show hesitation. The movement pointed to an accumulation of week-end buying orders, together with a further covering of short contracts.

Transactions in the first hour were 40 per cent in excess of that period last Saturday. Although realizing for profits was general, it failed to check the further advance. Coppers continued to climb, their movement being attributed to a combination of better trade conditions, relative cheapness and speculative possibilities. In the railway group Pennsylvania recovered. At the clearing house United States Steel sold at 50¾, 1¼ under July 30 closing, with Union Pacific at 118¼, an advance of 1¼. Canadian Pacific was 155¼ bid, offered at 158.

Bonds were firm.

Although business dwindled in the early afternoon, prices continued to advance under lead of Amalgamated and the better known railroad securities. The movement spread to the bond list, with higher prices for convertible issues. Further substantial gains were reported in the international stocks at private sales.

Minneapolis Grain.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 14.—Wheat—No. 1 hard, $1.19¾; No. 1 Northern, $1.15¾@1.18¾; No. 2 Northern, $1.12½@1.15. Dec., $1.14 asked. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 56¾@59c. Oats—No. 3 white, 45½@46c. Flax—$1.54@1.57.

New York Stock Quotations

Reported daily for the Post-Dispatch by G. H. Walker & Co., 307 North Fourth street.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.

STOCKS.	Open	High	Low.	Close
Alaska Gold	25⅞	25⅞	25⅝	25⅝
Amal. Cop.	52½	57¾	52⅝	56⅜
Am. Beet Sugar	30¼	30½	29½	30½
Am. Can com.	26	27⅜	26	27¼
Am. Can pfd.	92	92½	92	92½
A. C. & F. Co. com.	44	46	44	46
Am. Cotton Oil	36	40	36	40
Am. Ice	23	23⅝	23	23½
Am. Sm. com.	57¼	60½	50¼	60⅝
Am. Sugar	107			107
Am. Telephone	117¼	117¾	117	117⅝
Am. Tobacco	217	221	217	221
Atch. com.	93¼	95½	93½	94¼
Beth. Steel com.	41⅞	42	41½	42
B. R. T.	86½	87	86¼	87
Cal. Petro.	19⅝	19⅝	19	19
Cen. L. com.	35⅞	36¼	35⅝	36
Chi. G. W.	10	11	10	11
C., M. & St. P. com.	92½	92½	91¾	91¾
Con. Gas	119	120	119	120
Corn P. Ref. com.	9	9¼	9	9¼
D. & R. G. pfd.	9¼	10¾	9	10½
Erie com.	23¼	23⅞	23¼	23⅝
Erie 1st pfd.	36¼	36⅞	36	36¼
Gen. Elec.	140	141	140	141
Gen. Motor com.	87	89	86½	86½
Gen. Motor pfd.	90	91	90	91
Int. Mst. com.	13	13⅝	13	13¼
Int. Met. pfd.	58	68¾	62⅜	63
Int. Harvester	9¼			9½
K. C. Sou. com.	21	23¼	21	23⅜
Lehigh Valley Ry.	133	138	131½	137⅞
L. & N. com.	126	126	125	126
Miami Copper	18¼	18⅝	18¼	18⅝
M., K. & T. com.	9⅝	12	9½	11⅞
Missouri Pacific	10½	11¼	10¼	10¾
Nat. Enam. com.	10⅜			10⅜
Nevada Cons.	12¼	14⅜	12¼	13½
N. Y., N. H. & H.	56	57	56	56⅜
N. Y. O. & W.	20½	21⅜	20½	21¼
North American	69½	70	69½	70
Northern Pacific	101¼	101	104⅛	104¼
Pac. Mail	21	22¼	21	22⅛
Penn.	107¾	109¾	107½	109
Peo. Gas	117½			117⅜
Pitts. Coal pfd.	82¾	82¾	82¾	82⅞
Ray Cons.	16¼	17⅛	16⅜	17⅛
Reading com.	149	151⅛	148⅝	150½
Rep. I. & S. com.	18½	20	18½	20
Rep. I. & S. pfd.	73¾	77½	73¾	77½
Rock Is. com.	1½	1½	1⅜	1½
Rock Is. pfd.	3¼	3½	3¼	3⅜
Rumely com.	6¼	6½	5⅝	6¼
Rumely pfd.	21			21
St. L. & S. F. 2d p.	2¼			2¼
Sou. Ry. com.	16	17	16	16¾
Penn. Copper	31½	33½	31½	33½
Texas Oil Co.	135	137½	135	137½
Third Av.	37	38	37	38
U. S. Rubber	54¾	57	54¾	56
Utah Copper	49½	51⅞	49½	50¾
Wabash com.	¾	1¼	¾	1¼
Wabash pfd.	2¾			3
Western Md.	13½	14	13¼	14
W. U.	58¾	59⅜	58¾	59⅜
Westinghouse	66	69	66	69

Sales to noon, 130,000.
Sales to 2 p. m., 188,200.

BUTTER MARKET STEADY AND IN GOOD DEMAND

Celery Market Quiet and Prices Unchanged—Lettuce Weak and Oversupplied.

BUTTER—Current make: Creamery extra, 33c; firsts, 28c; seconds, 26c; ladle packed, 23c; packing stock, 19c.

EGGS—Quote: Fresh firsts at 31c per dozen; held or shrunken eggs less, according to condition.

LIVE POULTRY—Turkeys, choice, 16¼c; turkey culls, 10@11c; fowls, 9½@10c; spring chickens, 13c; cocks, 9c; ducks, 12½c; geese, choice, 11c; poor or packed, less. Spring guineas (1¾ pounds and over), per dozen, $4; spring guineas (under 1½ pounds), $3; old guinea chickens, 75c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Turkeys, dry picked, 19c; turkeys, scalded, 18c; turkeys, No. 2, 15c; fowls, 10@12c; spring chickens, 14c; cocks, 10c; ducks, 13@14c; geese, 10@12½c.

CHEESE—Quote on orders, per pound: Northern—Twins, 14½c; singles, 15c; long horns, 15½c; daisies, 15½c; Y. A., 15c; prints 16c; new limburger, 15½c; Swiss, 20@22c for No. 1 new; brick, 14c; inferior quality less.

FRESH FISH—Per pound: Carp—dressed, 4@5c; rounds, 2c. Buffalo—dressed, large, 7c; dressed, medium, 6c; round, large, 8½c. Sunfish, 2½c; crappie, large, 11c; medium, 8c; small, 5c. Black bass—1½@2½ pounds, 11c. Spoonbill—10 pounds and over, 8c; spoonbill—4@10 pounds, 5c, less than 4 pounds, 3c. Cat—Large, collar bones cut, 8c; collar bones on, 5c; bullheads, dressed, 8c; bullheads, collar bones on, 6c. White perch—dressed, 8c; rounds, 2c. Grass pike, 5c. Eels, 9c. Snapping turtles, 5c; turtle meat, 8c. Frogs, large, per dozen, $2.

PIGEONS AND SQUABS—Quote live pigeons at 90c per dozen. Squabs—Fancy homers (7@8 pounds to the dozen) at $1.75 per dozen; large homers (9@10 pounds to the dozen, $2.50; small at $1; common live squabs, 90c; dead pigeons, 60c per dozen.

RABBITS—Fresh at $2 per dozen; dark, discolored or small stock less. Small Mexican rabbits sold at $1.35; jack rabbits, $2.25 per dozen. Possum at 10@30c each.

VEALS—Calves, choice, 110 to 140 pounds, at 9c per pound; do 150 to 175 pounds, 8@8½c; do 180 to 200 pounds, 7@7½c; rough, as thin and underweight, at 5@6½c, according to quality; spring lambs, 9@10c per pound for heavy and 6½@7c for fancy light; thin and poor less. Choice fat sheep at 4c; bucks at 3c; thin and poor, 2½@3c.

ROASTING PIGS—Quote at $1.50@2 per head for 20@35 pounds weight.

Vegetables.

POTATOES—Quote car lots sacked on track: Minnesota and Wisconsin at 58c for common burbank or rural to 60@63c for fair to fancy quality—fancy dusty rural held at 65c; Michigan stock at 63@65c; Western (Idaho) rural and russet burbank at 48@50c to 52c track for average run of stock—strictly fancy held higher. All frosted and damaged stock must be sold to best advantage.

ONIONS—Quote sacked extra fancy red globe at $1.65 per 100 pounds delivered; sacked extra fancy white at $1.60 delivered.

ANISE PLANT—Quote at $1.75@2 per sugar barrel.

BRUSSELS SPROUTS—Quote choice fresh New York at 17½c per quart.

BEETS—Quote New Orleans at 25c per dozen bunches. Home-grown at 25c per box loose.

CABBAGE—Quote bulk New York, Danish and Holland seed at $8 to $10 per ton delivered; bulk red cabbage at $25 per ton delivered.

CARROTS—New Orleans at 25c and Kenner small bunches at 20c per dozen bunches. Home-grown at 30@35c per bushel box.

CAULIFLOWER—Quote California crates at $2.40@2.50 delivered in jobbing way.

CELERY—Quote California at $2.25 to $2.75 per crate delivered. New York rough at $1.40 to $1.85 and Michigan rough at $1.50@1.75 per crate delivered. Celery roots at 25@50c per dozen.

CUCUMBERS—Quote Boston hothouse at $6@6.50 per case (or $1 per dozen). Florida tomato crates fancy at $5.75.

ENDIVE—Quote New Orleans at $1.75; escarol at $1.50 and romaine at $1.50 per sugar barrel.

EGGPLANT—Quote Florida at $4 per 1½-bushel crate, according to quality.

GARLIC—Quotable at 12½c per pound.

HORSERADISH—Quote home-grown from wagon at $3 to $3.75 per barrel loose as in quality.

UNLISTED SECURITIES.

Reported daily by the Altheimer & Rawlings Inv. Co., 207 North Broadway.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.

SECURITIES.	Bid	Ask
General Baking Co. pfd.	48	55
Hart Schaffner & Marx com.	90	99
do pfd.	103	104
Houston Oil Co., com.	11	12
Maxwell Motor Co., com.	14¼	14½
do 1st pfd	43	48
do 2d pfd	17	18
Pierce Oil Corpn., com.	16⅜	17
St. Joseph Lead	61¼	61½
Suburban Tel. Co. 5s	75	85
Utah Securities Corpn., com.	14½	15½
Wisconsin Edison Co. stock	43	46
do debenture 6s	91	94
N. Y. City new 6 per cent notes, due 1915	101¼	101⅜
do 1916	102⅛	102⅜
do due 1917	104⅛	104⅜

PREFERRED STOCKS.

	Rate	Bid	Asked
**Am. Bakery Co	7 p. c	....	96½
**Sisenstadt Mfg. Co.	7 p. c	102½	107
**Hart, Schaff. & Marx	7 p. c	103	104
**Int. Shoe Co.	7 p. c	100	....
Kolb Bakery Co.	7 p. c	....	92
Manhattan Shirt Co.	7 p. c	95	100
**Nat. Candy Co. 1st	7 p. c	96	103
Willys-Overland Co.	7 p. c	87	65
St. L. Ry. M. & Pac.	5 p. c	60	90

**Listed on the St. Louis Stock Exchange.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Tin strong; $34.25@35. Copper firm; electrolytic $13.25@13.37½; casting $13@13.12½. Iron steady; No. 1 northern $14.50@15; No. 2 $14.25@14.75. No. 1 southern $14.25@14.75. No. 1 Northern iron $14.25@14.75; No. 2 $14.25@14.75. At London, spot copper, £58 5s; futures, £58 7s 9d. Tin, spot, £150 10s; futures, £149 10s.

Peoria Grain.

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 14.—Corn unchanged at ⅛c higher; No. 3 yellow, 62¾c; No. 3 mixed, 62½c.

Oats ¼@½c higher; No. 2 white, 48½c; No. 3 white, 48¼c.

St. Louis Lead Market.

Lead was dull at $3.65@3.70 in St. Louis market today. Spelter quiet at $5.55.

OTHER MARKET NEWS WILL BE FOUND TODAY ON PAGE 15.

COMMERCE STOCK GOES UP $10 ON LOCAL EXCHANGE

ST. LOUIS CLEARING HOUSE STATEMENT.

	Clearings.	Balances.
Today	$14,272,653	$670,290
Last week	14,770,835	1,634,253
Decrease	$497,963	$757,963

National Bank of Commerce stock featured the trade in the local market again today, and advanced $10 per share at $121.75 and no offerings, after 15 shares had changed hands at $120. The stock was quoted $8 higher on Saturday at $112 bid, and since the exchange opened a week ago has risen from $102. Reports are current in the financial district that the company has realized handsomely on some of the collateral charged off a year ago. Other bank and trust shares were inactive, but showed a steady range of quotations.

United Railways issues were quiet but firm and the 4s of the company gained ½ point on a transfer at $70.50. Railways preferred stock was wanted at $31 without offers and the common had $8.50 bid and $10 asked.

The miscellaneous lists howed a steady range of quotations on the issues mentioned. Bonds reflected a light investment demand.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS. BETWEEN SESSION.

	Bid.	Asked.
German Savings Inst.	....	270
Mechanics-Am. Nat.	....	150
Nat. Bank of Com.	121¾	....
Title Guaranty Trust	**41	61
United Railways com.	**31	10
do pfd.	31	....
do 4s	70	....
S. L. & Sub. Gen. 5s	79¾	....
Broadway 4½s	95¾	....
Compton Heights 5s	....	100
K. C. Home Tel. 5s ($500)	86	....
Cent. Coal & Coke com.	60	....
Nat. Candy com.	67¾	....
St. L. Cotton Compress	....	89
Miss. R. & T. 5s	93½	....
Granite Bi-Metallic	30	....
Int. Shoe pfd.	100¼	....
Am. Bakery 6s	102½	....
St. L. Brew. Ass'n 6s	89¾	90
Ind. Brewing 6s	57¾	....

REGULAR SESSION.

1,000 United Ry. 4s at 70¾.
2,000 St. Louis Brew. 6s at 89¾.
15 National Bank of Com. at 120.
1,000 Am. Bakery 6s at 102½.
500 Am. Bakery 6s at 102¼.

NEW YORK BOND SALES.

10,000	Int. Met. 4½s	at 74½
2,000	Norfolk cv. 4½s	at 100
1,000	So. Pac. cv. 5s	at 93⅝
2,000	Atch cv. 4s (1960)	at 96⅞
10,000	Amm. Tob. 6s	at 120½
1,000	So. Pac. cv. 4s	at 89⅜
1,000	B. C. 4s	at 89½
10,000	R. I. 5s	at 96⅞
10,000	Amn. T-T cv. 4½s	at 97⅛
2,000	Pnh. Serv. of N. J. 5s	at 96½
2,000	N. Y. City 4½s (1968)	at 108⅞
10,000	Nor. Pac. 3s	at 68⅛
1,000	Atch. cv. 4s (1960)	at 93¼
10,000	Marine 4½s	at 80
2,000	Erie cv. 4s	at 65½
2,000	Int. Met. pfd	at 96⅝
1,000	Rubber 6s	at 101¼
2,000	Amn T-T cv. 4½s	at 97¼
10,000	N. Y. City Ry. 4s	at 70⅝
5,000	Col. Maryl Midland 4s	at 15
1,000	Third Av. 4s	at 39¼
5,000	M. Rubber 6s	at 101¼
5,000	Union cv. 4s	at 87
5,000	St. P. cv. 4½s	at 96½
6,000	Amn. T.-T cv. 4½s	at 95¼
1,000	Ill. Fd.	at 85¼
2,000	So. Pac. cv. 5s	at 96
2,000	P. Lor. 7s	at 121
2,000	B. O. cv.	at 87
2,000	B. O. cv.	at 84¾
1,000	Steel Fd. 5s	at 100
3,000	So. Pac. cv. 4s	at 89¾
4,000	Rdg. 4s	at 92½
1,000	Chro G. W. 4s	at 68¾
1,000	Atch. 4s	at 91⅝
1,000	Col. Mid. 4s	at 15
1,000	Chro. M. St. P. Omaha 4s	at 66¼
15,000	R. I. Col. Tr. ctf. 4s	at 26
1,000	C. & O. cv.	at 71⅝
1,000	C. B. & Q. 4s	at 96
10,000	Dis. 5s	at 57
2,000	Int. Met. 4½s	at 74⅝
10,000	Con. Gas. w. i. 5s	at 110¼
3,000	Lake Shore 4s, 1928	at 90⅝
2,000	N. Y. City Ry. 6s	at 51¼
5,000	Atch. 5s	at 100¾
1,000	B. & O. cv.	at 84½
2,000	K. S. U. 5s	at 86½
10,000	N. Y. City 4½s	at 98¼
1,000	Third Av. 4s	at 79½
3,000	So. Pac. cv. 5s	at 96
5,000	Nor. Pac. 4s	at 89⅝
3,000	N. Y. Tel. 4½s	at 95
10,000	Lac. Gas 5s	at 100
3,000	Tel. Hud. 4s, 1916	at 98⅜
1,000	Penn. cv. 3½s	at 94½
10,000	Steel fd.	at 90¼
10,000	Beth Steel fd.	at 85

Liverpool Cotton.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 14.—Cotton—Spot in moderate inquiry, prices steady; American middling fair, 5.25d; good middling, 4.98d; middling, 4.29d; low middling, 3.82d; good ordinary, 3.20d; ordinary, 2.75d

DEATHS.

Death notices, first 8 lines or less, $1; each extra line 15c; memoriams, etc., 50c per line.

BENDER—Entered into rest on Sunday, Dec. 13, 1914, at 11 a. m., Joseph Bender, aged 54 years, beloved brother of Mrs. Mary Slezak (nee Bender), and Anna Bender and our dear uncle. Funeral Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 2 p. m. from residence of his sister, Mrs. Mary Slezak, 1217 Soulard street, to New Picker Cemetery. Funeral private. (c)

BLAND—Entered into rest on Sunday, Dec. 13, 1914, at 11:30 a. m., Mary L. Bland, beloved sister of Henrietta Bland.

Funeral on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 2 p. m., from residence of her nephew, C. L. Bland, 3515 Humphrey street, to St. Matthew's Cemetery. (c)

CLEMONTZ—Entered into rest, suddenly, on Saturday, Dec. 12, 1914, Maria I. Clemontz, beloved wife of Charles B. Clemontz and dear mother of Louisa I. Brewer (nee Clemontz), in her seventy-sixth year.

Funeral from funeral chapel of William Ambruster, 4234 Manchester avenue, Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 2 p. m., under the auspices of Martha Washington Lodge, No. 45, D. of R. of I. O. O. F. Motor. (c)

CRONIN—On Monday, Dec. 14, 1914, Mary A. Cronin, wife of the late Edward Cronin, dear mother of Jeremiah, Elizabeth, Anna and Grace Cronin, Mrs. H. B. Strickland, Mrs. A. O'Brien, Mrs. T. L. Ryan, sister of William H. Murphy, Mrs. E. Hamill, Mrs. B. Hanrahan, and Sister Regina of Sisters of Charity and our dear grandmother.

Funeral will take place Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 8:30 a. m., from residence, 4278 Evans, to St. Ann's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends are invited to attend.

Deceased was a member of St. Ann's Sodality of St. Ann's Church and Liberty Hive, L. O. T. M., and Court of Honor. (c2)

ESSELBORN—On Monday, Dec. 14, at 2:30 a. m., Martin Eugene Esselborn, beloved son of Martin E. and Edith Esselborn, nee Piochman, aged 2 years and 6 months.

Funeral from family residence, 2410 East Union avenue, on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 2 p. m., to St. Peter's Cemetery. He followed his little sister within a week.

GRIESEDIECK—Entered into rest on Monday, Dec. 14, 1914, at 1:20 o'clock a. m., Henry Griesedieck Jr., beloved husband of Rosa Griesedieck (nee Grone), father of H. Ed. R. B., R. J., E. J. and Frances Griesedieck, our dear brother and father-in-law.

Funeral will take place from the family residence, 3350 Hawthorne boulevard, on Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 8:30 o'clock a. m., to St. Francis de Sale's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Interment private. Please omit flowers. Motor. (c)

HIBBARD—Entered into rest at St. Clair, Mo., Sunday, Dec. 13, 1914, at 4:25 a. m., Josephine M. Hibbard, relict of Hamilton A. Hibbard and dear mother of David M., Benjamin B., Mary M. Hibbard, Mrs. S. T. Peter and Mrs. Maud Gottlob.

Funeral at St. Clair, Mo., Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1914, at 1 p. m.

KRAFT—On Saturday, Dec. 12, 1914, at 9:45 p. m., Frederick Kraft, our dear father, grandfather and father-in-law, at the age of 78 years.

Funeral Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 2:15 p. m. from the family residence, 4426 North Fourteenth street. Deceased was a member of Jefferson Lodge, I. O. O. F.

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KRUH—Suddenly, on Sunday, Dec. 13, 1914, Otto Kruh, dearly beloved father of Emil Kruh, at the age of 53 years.

Funeral Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 2 p. m., from Isaacs & Rindskopf's chapel, 435 North Euclid avenue. (c)

LITZINGER—Entered into rest Saturday, Dec. 12, 1914, at 9:05 p. m., Otto J. Litzinger, beloved husband of Nelle Litzinger (nee Hamilton), dear father of Walter, Robert, Otto, Nellie, Edward and Harriet Litzinger, and dear brother of Mrs. Emma Lloyd (nee Litzinger).

Funeral will take place from family residence, 2757 Chouteau avenue, Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 2 p. m. Library Cemetery. Friends invited to attend. (c)

MEAD—Entered into rest, after a lingering illness, on Sunday, Dec. 13, 1914, at 9 p. m., Elmira Mead (nee Reed), a beloved mother of Jay J. and Isaac Mead, and our dear sister, mother-in-law and grandmother in her seventy-first year.

Funeral will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 2:30 p. m., from the late residence, 2951 Union avenue, to Bethania Cemetery. Motor. (c)

NEVINS—On Sunday, Dec. 13, 1914, at 5 o'clock p. m., Michael Nevins, beloved husband of the late Margaret Nevins (nee Shannahan), dear father of Mary and Michael Nevins, Mrs. George Poston, Mrs. Nan Reymond and Mrs. George Houghton.

Funeral Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 8:30 a. m., from the family residence, 4320 Maryland avenue, to Newman Memorial Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends invited to attend. (c2)

ROTTMANN—Entered into rest, after a lingering illness on Monday, Dec. 14, 1914, at 2:45 a. m., Charles L. Rottmann, aged 39 years, beloved son of Caroline Rottmann (nee Schutz), and our beloved brother, brother-in-law and uncle.

Funeral on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 3 p. m., from residence to Zion Cemetery on St. Charles Rock road. Relatives and friends invited to attend. (c)

RYAN—Entered into rest on Saturday, Dec. 12, 1914, at 9:30 p. m., John M. Ryan, relict of Anna C. Ryan, dear father of Jeremiah J., John W. and Edward J. Ryan, Mrs. M. D. Kennedy, Mrs. H. J. Goessling, Mrs. Edward A. McComish and Mrs. C. J. Phelan, and brother of Mrs. Mary E. Baldwin.

Funeral will take place from the residence of his daughter, Mrs. H. J. Goessling, 3227 Marayille avenue, on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 9 a. m., to St. Rose's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Deceased was a member of St. Louis Council No. 1, K. F. M., and Uniform Rank, K. F. M. Philadelphia (Pa.) papers please copy. (c)

TOPPING—On Saturday, Dec. 12, 1914, at 4:45 p. m., Theresa Topping (nee Wheeler), beloved wife of James Topping, mother of Elizabeth, Harriet, Robert, Theresa and Martha Topping.

Funeral will take place from Arthur J. Donnelly's funeral parlors, Twenty-first and Wash streets, on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 8:30 a. m., to St. Bridget's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends are invited to attend. (c)

WARD—Entered into rest on Sunday, Dec. 13, 1914, at 7:15 a. m., Thomas J. Ward, beloved husband of Mary E. Ward (nee Moran), dear father of Mary Ward, and son of the late Martin and Margaret Ward, and brother of Mrs. Louis Hughes and the late Martin and John Ward.

Funeral on Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 8:30 a. m., from family residence, 3442 North Tenth street, to St. Patrick's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends are respectfully invited. (c2)

WALSH—Entered into rest on Saturday, Dec. 12, 1914, at 3:25 p. m., John R. Walsh, relict of Catherine Walsh (nee O'Connor), and dear father of Mrs. Julia E. Bradshaw.

Funeral from residence, 3964 Maffitt avenue, on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 8:30 a. m., to St. Matthew's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends invited to attend. Deceased was a member of Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, G. A. R. (c1)

WATERS—Entered into rest Monday, Dec. 14, 1914, at 3:25 a. m., Leslie Waters, beloved son of Fred and Emma Waters (nee Budde), and our dear brother.

Funeral Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 2 p. m., from family residence, 2216 Salisbury street, thence to Bethania Cemetery. Funeral private. (c)

PEETZ BROS.,
Funeral Chapel, 3720 Lafayette av.; auto and carriage funerals for every kind of chapel.

DEATHS.

WHITELAW—On Saturday, Dec. 12, 1914, Robert H. Whitelaw, in the 68th year of his age.

Funeral from the First Congregational Church, 3610 Delmar boulevard, Tuesday. Dec. 15, at 2 p. m. Interment private. (c)

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Solid agate, 10c line, minimum 20c.

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Funeral Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 2 p. m., from Isaacs & Rindskopf's chapel, 435 North Euclid avenue. (c)

LITZINGER—Entered into rest Saturday, Dec. 12, 1914, at 9:05 p. m., Otto J. Litzinger, beloved husband of Nelle Litzinger (nee Hamilton), dear father of Walter, Robert, Otto, Nellie, Edward and Harriet Litzinger, and dear brother of Mrs. Emma Lloyd (nee Litzinger).

Funeral will take place from family residence, 2757 Chouteau avenue, Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 2 p. m. Library Cemetery. Friends invited to attend. (c)

MEAD—Entered into rest, after a lingering illness, on Sunday, Dec. 13, 1914, at 9 p. m., Elmira Mead (nee Reed), a beloved mother of Jay J. and Isaac Mead, and our dear sister, mother-in-law and grandmother in her seventy-first year.

Funeral will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 2:30 p. m., from the late residence, 2951 Union avenue, to Bethania Cemetery. Motor. (c)

NEVINS—On Sunday, Dec. 13, 1914, at 5 o'clock p. m., Michael Nevins, beloved husband of the late Margaret Nevins (nee Shannahan), dear father of Mary and Michael Nevins, Mrs. George Poston, Mrs. Nan Reymond and Mrs. George Houghton.

Funeral Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 8:30 a. m., from family residence, 4320 Maryland avenue, to Newman Memorial Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends invited to attend. (c2)

ROTTMANN—Entered into rest, after a lingering illness on Monday, Dec. 14, 1914, at 2:45 a. m., Charles L. Rottmann, aged 39 years, beloved son of Caroline Rottmann (nee Schutz), and our beloved brother, brother-in-law and uncle.

Funeral on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 3 p. m., from residence to Zion Cemetery on St. Charles Rock road. Relatives and friends invited to attend. (c)

RYAN—Entered into rest on Saturday, Dec. 12, 1914, at 9:30 p. m., John M. Ryan, relict of Anna C. Ryan, dear father of Jeremiah J., John W. and Edward J. Ryan, Mrs. M. D. Kennedy, Mrs. H. J. Goessling, Mrs. Edward A. McComish and Mrs. C. J. Phelan, and brother of Mrs. Mary E. Baldwin.

Funeral will take place from the residence of his daughter, Mrs. H. J. Goessling, 3227 Marayille avenue, on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 9 a. m., to St. Rose's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Deceased was a member of St. Louis Council No. 1, K. F. M., and Uniform Rank, K. F. M. Philadelphia (Pa.) papers please copy. (c)

TOPPING—On Saturday, Dec. 12, 1914, at 4:45 p. m., Theresa Topping (nee Wheeler), beloved wife of James Topping, mother of Elizabeth, Harriet, Robert, Theresa and Martha Topping.

Funeral will take place from Arthur J. Donnelly's funeral parlors, Twenty-first and Wash streets, on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 8:30 a. m., to St. Bridget's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends are invited to attend. (c)

WARD—Entered into rest on Sunday, Dec. 13, 1914, at 7:15 a. m., Thomas J. Ward, beloved husband of Mary E. Ward (nee Moran), dear father of Mary Ward, and son of the late Martin and Margaret Ward, and brother of Mrs. Louis Hughes and the late Martin and John Ward.

Funeral on Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 8:30 a. m., from family residence, 3442 North Tenth street, to St. Patrick's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends are respectfully invited. (c2)

WALSH—Entered into rest on Saturday, Dec. 12, 1914, at 3:25 p. m., John R. Walsh, relict of Catherine Walsh (nee O'Connor), and dear father of Mrs. Julia E. Bradshaw.

Funeral from residence, 3964 Maffitt avenue, on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 8:30 a. m., to St. Matthew's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends invited to attend. Deceased was a member of Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, G. A. R. (c1)

WATERS—Entered into rest Monday, Dec. 14, 1914, at 3:25 a. m., Leslie Waters, beloved son of Fred and Emma Waters (nee Budde), and our dear brother.

Funeral Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 2 p. m., from family residence, 2216 Salisbury street, thence to Bethania Cemetery. Funeral private. (c)

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CHARM—Lost; gold-plated; with initials H. O. Please return to 1620 N. 19th.

CROSS—Lost, Sunday, cross, gold tipped; vicinity of Shubert Theater, Hodiamont car and Hamilton av.; reward. 5919 Maple, Cabany 4758.

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DOG—Lost, white male bull terrier, black spot; reward. Return to 4622 Maryland.

DOG—Lost; white poodle; 1 eye blind; reward if returned to 1946 N. Leonard.

DOG—Lost, white fox terrier, black face; reward. Forest 5692.

DRIVER—For 4-horse team; if you don't know how to handle four, don't apply. 822 N. 7th st.

EYEGLASSES—Lost; 5000 Page. Return to 5032A Page; reward. Delmar 3257R.

FUR COLLAR—Lost; brown, with black stripe, on Potomac, Michigan or Cherokee; please call 3257 Victor. (c1)

FUR COLLAR—Lost, mink on 13th st., near Public Library, or on Hodiamont car, about 5 p. m. Friday. Return to F. P. Hatch, 1314 Syndicate Trust Bldg., and receive reward. (1)

HANDBAGS—Lost, on Bellefontaine car, this morning, 2, white crochet, reward for returns. 2330 Biddle.

HAND BAG—Lost; black; on Page car, Saturday; containing two doctors' prescriptions and money. Return to Baum, 1280 Hamilton; reward. (c)

LA VALLIERE PENDANT—Lost; gold network set with small diamonds; reward. Victor 2550J. (c2)

LOCKET—Lost, engraved with horsehead, on Vandeventer and Page car, or on street, between 4200 Russell and Tower Grove viaduct; liberal reward. Phone Forest 5316 (c3)

MEDAL—Lost, Episcopal Sunday school for 7 years' attendance; reward. Bomont 876, 2713 Clark. (c)

MESH BAG—Lost, between Skinker rd. and Grand av.; Lindell; reward. Cabany 2349W.

NECKLACE—Lost, gold locket; N. W. D., between 808 Atlanta av. and Amelia and Fairlawn, Webster Groves; reward. 808 Atlanta av.

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NOSE GLASSES—Lost, ladies'; on 22d, between O'Fallon and Wash; reward, return J. D. W., 316 Frisco Bldg.

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POCKETBOOK—Lost; with pay envelope, between Heidelberger and 22d and Washington; receive reward. 2221 St. Charles.

PURSE—Lost, small, black, containing money and key, in or about Trimp's; reward. Box D-109, Post-Dispatch. (2)

PURSE—Lost; Dec. 8, small, black, containing $4 and small envelope. Box D-119, Post-Dispatch.

PURSE—Lost; $5b, plain band ring, with J. C. from E. B.; money, insurance of dead husband on way to pay funeral bill; $5 reward. Box D-108, Post-Dispatch. (3)

ROSARY—Lost; amethyst; from 3972 Morgan to St. Ann's Catholic School. 3972 Morgan.

TIEPIN—Lost; monogram; with initial E; reward. 7304 Minnesota.

TRANSPORTATION BADGE—Lost; No. 1216; in Wellston; reward. Hodiamont sheds, Maple and Hodiamont.

UMBRELLA—Lost; left in front of 416 N. 7th st., Saturday night. Kindly return to F. H. Ingalls Co., 416 N. 7th, and receive $2 reward.

WATCH—Lost, lady's gold watch and pin, Saturday afternoon, engraved; reward. 2920 Greer. Central 9707R. (c1)

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WATCH—Lost; silver; and chain, with gold pencil attached; reward. E. Woemtmer, 2801 Cass.

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CLASS LESSONS with orchestra music every Monday night, Dreamland Palace, Olive near Grand. Ladies 25c; men 50c. (c49)

ALL dances taught as they should be danced. Private lessons any hour by Prof. J. Madison Cox, Dreamland, the big dance palace, on Olive near Grand. Phone Lindell 4358. (c8)

NEW Cave Dancing Academy, Olive and 20th; parties every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings, Sunday afternoon and evening; classes Tuesday and Friday evening; private lessons every afternoon from 2 to 6. Bomont 2060, Central 1513. Ahern & Albers. (c8)

DETECTIVES

DETECTIVE—Expert, does shadowing and investigating; references. 828 Victoria Bldg. Bell Olive 3650. (c9)

DETECTIVE—Does shadowing and investigating, locates missing people; absolute secrecy; consultation free. 3678 Finney av. Phone Bell Lindell 5102, Kinloch Delmar 2448. (8)

DRESSMAKING AND MILLINERY

SEWING Wtd.—All kinds; reasonable prices. Forest 2047. (26x)

MEDICAL

YOUNG women needing help before and during confinement can find attendance at the St. Louis Maternity Hospital, 4518 Washington. (c37)

THEATRICAL

COSTUMES FOR SANTA CLAUS, suitable for church, home or school entertainments. Rob't Schmidt, the costumer, 4th and Elm sts. (c8)

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IF success is your goal, study here motion picture acting, dramatic art, singing, stage dancing, all time playing; all kinds of acrobatic circus acts, including trapeze work. Belmont School of Acting, Henneman Hall, 3966 Olive. (c8)

ROOMS and BOARD

Solid agate, 10c per line, except rooms for rent, rooms and board, first two lines 15c extra line, 5c; room agencies, 15c line.

SOUTH—South of Chouteau avenue-Forest Park; NORTH—North of Cass-Easton avenues; CENTRAL—Levee to Grand, Chouteau to Cass-Easton; WEST—Grand to city limits, Chouteau avenue-Forest Park to Cass-Easton.

ROOMS FOR RENT—CITY

MISCELLANEOUS

ROOMS—Neatly furnished, fine locality; also concrete garage; Olive car; gentlemen; permanent. Lindell 4610. (1)

CENTRAL

BELL, 5114—Connecting housekeeping rooms; reduced; light and clean; gas light and cooking; phone.

BELL, 5110—Kitchen and connecting furnished rooms; gas, coal range, phone; $3.50; laundry.

EASTON, 3108—Nicely furnished connecting rooms, with or without housekeeping. (2)

FIFTEENTH, 21 S.—Two front rooms, $6; two rooms, $4. (2)

FRANKLIN, 3712—Housekeeping rooms, $1.50 and up.

FRANKLIN, 817—Housekeeping room; also nice sleeping room; well kept place. Central 9850R.

GARRISON, 717 N.—Neatly furnished rooms; running hot water, phone, good heat, electric light; housekeeping and sleeping. (4)

LACLEDE, 3438—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping or sleeping; reasonable; conveniences. (1)

LINDELL, 3510—Warmest, large steam heated furnished housekeeping rooms; every convenience, $3 to $4.50. (2)

LOCUST, 3127 — Steam-heated, connecting housekeeping rooms; gas range, electric lights, continuous hot water.

LOCUST, 3142—Nice, clean, furnished, steam housekeeping rooms; gas range, hot bath, $3. (3)

LOCUST, 2920—Connecting 1st-floor parlors, 2d floor front, and small room for housekeeping, $17.50.

LOCUST, 3127 (Alcazar)—100 steam-heated outside rooms; free bath; 75c a day; $3 week. (6)

LUCAS, 3411—Rooms, light housekeeping; 2 rooms, 2d floor front; light housekeeping. (1)

MORGAN, 3214—Housekeeping, 1 extra large room; steam heat; gas; $2.

MORGAN, 3214—Sleeping rooms, $1 week; steam heat; hot bath; near.

MORGAN, 3220—Nicely furnished connecting rooms; 2d floor; running water; coal range; $2.50 weekly. (2)

OLIVE, 1214—Large front room, with open fireplace; pleasant and comfortable; $2.50. (2)

OLIVE, 1214—Two rooms for housekeeping; sink, running water, range, electric lights; open fireplace, baths, etc.; would take meals in care of other rooms; $5.50 weekly. (2)

THIRD, 1029 N.—Rooms; $1 per week; with use of bath.

ROOMS FOR RENT—CENTRAL

WASH, 2700—Two rooms, furnished or unfurnished; phone service.

WASHINGTON BL., 3713—Neatly furnished room; hot-water heat, Bell phone; modern conveniences; $2.50 up. (1)

SOUTH

ARSENAL, 2826—Nicely furnished rooms; Belle Fontaine or Tower Grove car. (2)

BROADWAY, 4440 S.—Front room, lower, well heated flat, in private family; reasonable. (8)

KENNETT PL., 1834—Large, well furnished and heated; running water in room; rates reasonable. (2)

MISSISSIPPI, 1554—Elegant furnished farm front room; housekeeping; gas range; furnace heat; phone. (2)

PARK, 2909—Second floor sleeping or housekeeping, hot water heat; for refined people only; $7.75 per week, including gas. (1)

RUSSELL, 2738—Single rooms; steam heated; all conveniences; $1.50 weekly; also double room; reasonable. (2)

WHITTEMORE PL., 2342—One large unfurnished room; water, sink, bath, toilet; 2d floor; adults.

WEST

ACADEMY, 919—Two large furnished light housekeeping rooms; furnace heat, electric lights.

AUBERT, 1253—Nicely furnished, clean 2 or 3 room suite, complete housekeeping; running hot water; electric light; both phones; refined people only.

BAYARD, 1144—Two rooms, clean, well furnished; complete housekeeping; heat, bath, phone; reas. (2)

DELMAR BL., 3804—Nicely furnished housekeeping room; heat, bath, phone; reas. (2)

DELMAR BL., 5196A—Furnished room, with kitchenette; all conveniences; phone.

DELMAR BL., 4451A—Large front room; hot bath, furnace, phone; $3; other large rooms, $2.50.

DELMAR BL., 5107A—Single and large, well furnished rooms; newly decorated; steam heat; private home. (1)

DELMAR BL., 4039—Nicely furnished warm housekeeping rooms; continuous hot water; free phone; reasonable.

DELMAR BL., 4634—Front room; steam heat and bath; $4.75. Call week days after 5 p. m.

DELMAR BL., 4467—Large, warm room; hot bath; $2.50 and $3 weekly. Forest 322.

DELMAR BL., 3804—Nicely furnished rooms, heat, bath, phone; also large room, to 3 or 4 young men; $1.50 each. (3)

DELMAR BL., 5052A—Neatly furnished rooms; all conveniences; very reasonable. Phone Forest 4816R. (1)

DELMAR BL., 4202—Newly furnished front and single rooms, with modern conveniences, $2 to $4. (1)

FINNEY, 3755—Neatly furnished rooms; hot-water heat; electric lights; $2 to $3.50 per week. Call Lindell 2650. (2)

FINNEY, 3846—Single or connecting housekeeping rooms; gas range, bath, heat; $3 connecting, $2.50. (2)

FINNEY, 3725—Warm front rooms; every modern convenience; gentlemen or couple; $3.50. (2)

HOUSTON PL., 6031A—Large furnished room, $8; also small front room, $1.50; private family; furnace heat, hot water, electric lights. Ball phone.

KINGSHIGHWAY, 1010A N.—Housekeeping room; electric lights; good heat; conveniences; reasonable. (2)

McPHERSON, 4025 — Reduced prices to all rooms; some fine double or single rooms; also suites of 2 or 3 rooms; reasonable; fine location; steam heat, hot and cold water, electric light; some rooms $2 per week and up. (c44)

MARYLAND, 4149—Nicely furnished; in private family; no other roomers; modern. Forest 2954.

MORGAN, 4065—2 or 3 elegant complete housekeeping rooms; heat, light, gas range, linen.

MORGAN, 4064 and 4103—Single or connecting front housekeeping rooms; gas range, heat, bath, laundry; free phone; $2 up. Lindell 3899R.

OLIVE, 4006A—Nicely furnished front room; $1.50 per week.

OLIVE, 3758—Two unfurnished connecting front rooms and two furnished rooms, steam heat, bath. (1)

OLIVE, 4610—Room with kitchenette, sink, gas range, electricity; phone; also another well kept.

OLIVE, 4049A—Cozy steam-heated room; bath, modern conveniences; an ideal home; investigate at once.

OLIVE, 4292—Furnished and housekeeping rooms; good heat, hot water, electric lights; free phone.

OLIVE, 4273A—Furnished front room; steam heat; telephone; private family; $2 weekly; gentleman preferred. (1)

PAGE BL., 4417—Nicely furnished steam-heated rooms; gentlemen preferred.

PAGE BL., 5804—Nicely furnished housekeeping rooms; heat, bath, phone; rear, $1.50 up; all conveniences; in private Catholic home.

WASHINGTON, 3410—Nicely furnished rooms; housekeeping or sleeping. (1)

WASHINGTON BL., 4717A—Front room; steam heat; conveniences; private family; for gentlemen. Forest 4288W. (2)

WASHINGTON BL., 4847—Neatly furnished rooms; every convenience; very reasonable.

WASHINGTON BL., 3875—Warm, clean front room; private bath; single or en suite; electric light. (6)

WASHINGTON, 3871—Newly furnished rooms; continuous hot water; electric light, free telephone; first-class. (14)

WEST BELLE PL., 4324—Room, single or connecting; housekeeping.

WEST BELLE PL., 4425—Neatly furnished room, bath, hot water, electric, gas, furnace heat; nice location. Forest 2790R.

WEST PINE BL., 5015—Nice room, $1.50 per week; also housekeeping room. (2)

WINDSOR PL., 3719A—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping; reasonable.

WYDESOR PL., 3565—Two nice large furnished rooms and kitchenette; southern exposure; 1st floor; furnace heat; quiet people wanted.

NORTH

MONTGOMERY, 1926—Neatly furnished 2 rooms, 2d floor. Central 9740R. (2)

MULLANPHY, 2118—Apt. 24; furnished room, steam heat; bath; $1.50 weekly.

ROOMS FOR RENT—CCLORED

ROOMS—Neatly furnished, for colored; furnace heat; hot bath. Bomont 1418. (*)

ROOMS WITH BOARD—CITY

MISCELLANEOUS

ROOM AND BOARD—Large, 2d floor room, well heated, with board, to couple or 2 men, private family; convenient to Olive or Suburban cars; phone Lindell 2870. (8)

SOUTH

HENRIETTA, 2906—Room and board for 2 gentlemen; hot water, furnace heat; near 8 car lines; reasonable. Phone Grand 5393M. (1)

LAFAYETTE, 2351—Desirable rooms, for 1 or 2 persons; steam heat, exceptionally good board.

MISSOURI, 1408—Steam-heated room adjoining bath; $4.50 per week each for 2 employed; also hall room; home cooking. (1)

NICHOLSON PL., 47—Nicely furnished room; all conveniences; Tower Grove or 4th st. cars; breakfast and supper if desired. (1)

NICHOLSON PL., 45—Nicest, cleanest room in city; hot water heat, phone, sleeping porch, etc.; rates for the winter for permanent; board if desired; home cooking; quiet. (1)

ROOM AND BOARD—Large, steam heated, second floor room, with alcove and large closet; reasonable. Sidney 1035. (5)

ROOM AND BOARD—Infants to board; private; excellent care, supervised by trained nurse. Box N-187, Post-Dispatch. (2)

VIRGINIA, 2908—Compton Heights district; private family residence. Kinloch phone Victor 2066R. (1)

WEST

AUBERT, 912—Nicely furnished room, with board; or housekeeping privileges; every convenience; reasonable; phone. (2)

BARTMER, 5507—Nicely furnished front room, with board; electric lights, heat and hot water; all conveniences. Telephone Cabany 1023. (8)

BAYARD, 1144—Two rooms; clean, well furnished; complete housekeeping; continuous hot water; refined people; no children.

BELT, 1435—Front room and board, private family, for 2 gentlemen or couple; $45.

CABANNE, 5029—Nicely furnished, southern-exposed front room, with board; steam heat.

CABANNE, 5581—Nicely furnished rooms, first-class board, phone, running water; all conveniences. (5)

DELMAR BL., 5181—Warm, south rooms, steam, hot baths, electric, phones, heat table, costs no more than common service; transfer, 5c. (2)

KENSINGTON, 5109—Second-floor front, furnished, mahogany, southern-exposed, single room, with board.

LINDELL BL., 5629—Nicely furnished suite, private bath; steam heat; excellent table; also room with running water.

McPHERSON, 4624—Nicely furnished, well heated, southern exposed room, with board.

McPHERSON, 5564A—Lovely rooms, with or without board; couples employed or gentlemen; all convs.; Lindell 4283. (1)

McPHERSON, 3920A—Comfortable room; hot water, electric lights, steam heat; excellent board; private family.

McPHERSON, 4384—Warm, nicely furnished front room; couple or gentlemen; home table; also single room.

ROOMS WITH BOARD—WEST

McPHERSON, 3969—Single room, board; steam heat, electricity; Sarah, Vandeventer, Olive cars. Lindell 5318. (5)

MAPLE, 5425—Beautifully furnished rooms, all conveniences; excellent table; private family; reasonable. Forest 2881W. (3)

MARYLAND, 4123—Second-floor front room, with board; hot-water heat, electric lights, bath, free phone; $4.50 and $5. Lindell 1970. (2)

MORGAN, 4225—Refined, congenial place, all conveniences, best meals, $4.50. Lindell 3715. Delmar 3968J.

MORGAN, 4446—Nice rooms; home cooking; every convenience; $4.50 up. Delmar 2858R. (1)

MORGAN, 4823—Exceptionally comfortable quarters; palatable meals; large double rooms, $25 up; single, $30. (6)

PAGE BL., 4445—Nicely furnished front room, with every modern convenience; in private, congenial family; board optional. (2)

PRAIRIE, 1309A—Room, with or without board; private family; convenient to 4 car lines.

ROOM AND BOARD—Large 2d-story front room; couple or ladies; $45. Cabany 2815R.

ROOM AND BOARD—A young couple have a well-furnished front room in their apartment; suitable for one or two gentlemen; excellent meals and laundry if desired; vicinity 4900 Delmar. Phone Forest 2974. (2)

ROOM AND BOARD—For one or two gentlemen; all modern conveniences; no other roomers or boarders. Lindell 4148. (2)

ROOM AND BOARD—Large front room, with good board; modern apartment; West End, refined private family. Phone Cabany 3122.

ROOM AND BOARD—Comfortable home, hot water heat, 5100 west Delmar; Hodiamont cars; splendid table; for 2 refined people. Forest 2466W.

ROOM AND BOARD—Nicely furnished room, strictly modern; private Cabany home; gentlemen; excellent board; will interest parties willing to pay for something out of the ordinary; references required; Monroe 1909R.

VON VERSEN, 5717—Rooms, for gentlemen; meals optional; reasonable.

VON VERSEN, 5165—Room and board for one or two; second story front; hot water heat, best service; Delmar and Hodiamont cars. Forest 3379.

WASHINGTON BL., 4956—Light, well-furnished room, with board.

WASHINGTON BL., 4007—Comfortable front room, in refined home; good meals; every modern convenience; telephone. (2)

WASHINGTON BL., 4483—Beautiful, south room, modern home; also single rooms, excellent home cooking.

WASHINGTON BL., 4810 AND 4814—Nicely furnished rooms; excellent table; good heat, electric light. Lindell 402. (4)

WEST MINSTER PL., 3749—2d-story front room; steam heat; all conveniences; board optional.

WEST PINE BL., 4209—Room and board; private residence; all conveniences; Mary-land car; gentlemen; references. (5)

WEST PINE BL., 4309—Room and board, in private residence; all conveniences; Maryland car; gentlemen; references. (6)

WEST PINE BL., 4309—Room and board, in private residence; all conveniences; Maryland car; gentlemen; references. (6)

NORTH

GRAND, 4082A N.—Nicely furnished room; board if desired; steam heat, bath.

LEXINGTON, 3916A—Single room; room; good home cooking; private family; reasonable. Colfax 1924.

ROOMS WANTED

ROOMS Wtd.—2 or 3, unfurnished with bath; heat, west of Grand, convenient to Page or Hodiamont line. Box O-84, P.-D.

HOTELS

ALCAZAR HOTEL, 3127 Locust—100 clean, modern, steam-heated rooms, 75c a day, $2 week up. (c8)

THE LODGE

Best furnished family hotel in city; every room with bath and telephone; excellent table. Send for booklet. Transients accommodated; special rates to permanent guests; garage. Call Forest 4300, Belt and Page. (c8)

ALBANY HOTEL

4873 Page bl., the only American and European popular-priced family hotel in the city; no rent to pay, consequently a big reduction to make very inviting low rates regardless of high price of living; a beautiful home-like place; all outside rooms; hot and cold water; private and free shower and tub bath. Delmar 901R. Forest 3981.

ALBEMARLE HOTEL

SARAH AND WESTMINSTER.

Most conveniently located family hotel in city; everything modern; here is where you get clean rooms, real steam heat and real meals; special rates to couples and roommates; better call or phone before coming and arrange to spend the winter in comfort. M. W. SCOTT, Lindell 5560. (c2)

HOUSES, FLATS, Etc.

Solid agate, 10c line, minimum 20c.

FLATS FOR RENT

MISCELLANEOUS

GRACE & SONS

4624A Westminster pl.; 6 rooms, hardwood floors; hot-water heat furnished; janitor service; in first-class condition $45 00
4299 Easton, 3-room flat, bath..... 16 50
1930 Papin, 3 large rooms 9 00
1446A N. 7th, 3 large rooms, gas..... 8 00
GRACE & SONS, 100 N. 8th st. (xc1)

CENTRAL

GARRISON, 626 N.—Cheapest 5 and 6 room flats; bath, steam heat, janitor service. (2)

SHERIDAN, 3015—Very modern, pretty flat of 3 rooms and bath; only $16. Inquire BEYER & SON, 17th and Locust. (c37)

SOUTH

ARKANSAS, 3642A—5 rooms and bath. (1)

GEYER, 3141—Compton Heights; 3 rooms, bath; new, modern; $16. Victor 3071. (2)

GILES, 3626—8 rooms and tile bath, china closet, shades and screens; $18. (3)

HICKORY, 3004—Three rooms, large hall, large bath, toilet, chandeliers; decorated to suit; only $13.50. (c8)

JEFFERSON, 1615 S.—Four rooms, bath; $14 and $16. (c8)

LORETTA, 6015A-6020A—Flats; 3 rooms, toilet, gas, $10; block from Manchester av. (2)

NEBRASKA, 2228—Modern flat of 3 large rooms and bath; facing beautiful Hawthorne bl.; open; only $16. Inquire BEYER & SON, 17th and Locust. (c37)

ROSA, 4651—4 rooms, gas, bath, laundry, $12.50; Cherokee car, southwest.

ST. VINCENT, 3048A (Block south of Park)—Fine flat of 5 large, well lighted rooms; open today; $15.50. Inquire Beyer & Son, 17th and Locust. (c37)

WYOMING, 3873A—For 2 people; in Tower Grove Heights district; 3 rooms and bath; gas stove and heating stove furnished; $16 per month; inquire 2928 Shenandoah av., or phone Sidney 2161W. (c8)

WEST

BARTMER, 6082A—6 rooms, bath, shades, fixtures, furnace or steam heat; open.

BARTMER, 6040—5 and 6 rooms; steam heat, newly decorated; winter, $30; summer, $25. Olive 8067.

DELMAR BL., 4466A—Six rooms, bath, furnace, shades, screens, combination fixtures, cabinet gas range, grates, mantels; gas water heater; modern; fine condition; rent $30; open. (c37)

McMILLAN, 4558—4 rooms, bath, furnace, electric light; rent $25; open. (2)

TEMPLE PL., 1420—Three rooms and bath. (c8)

5 ROOMS, $21

MOVING EXPENSES FREE

Five large rooms, bath, furnace, electric fixtures; granitoid laundry; first-class condition; open; Hodiamont cars; 9081 Horton pl.
BROADWAY SAVINGS TRUST CO., Broadway and Chambers. (c8)

NORTH

BELLEGLADE, 1926A—6 rooms and bath; modern; $18; months' rent free to desirable tenant. (c8)

FLORISSANT, 6811—New flat, 5 rooms, bath, gas, electric light; $15; keys next store. (c2)

FLAT—A nice 4-room and bath, flat, with heat and janitor service, $25; in Northwest St. Louis. Phone Colfax 1111, between 9 and 1 and 2 and 7. (c1)

LINCOLN, 3718—Beautiful 5-room flat; all large, light rooms; in fine shape; open $15. Inquire BEYER & SON, 17th and Locust. (c37)

ST. LOUIS, 4815—Lower 5 room bath, laundry and attic; open. Delmar 3304L. (1)

SEMPLE, 2908—3 nice rooms, $9; one month free; Cass cars, near school. (c8)

FLATS WANTED

APARTMENT Wtd.—Unfurnished, second floor, of 5 rooms and bath, hot water and steam heat; southern part of city preferred; must be convenient to car line; rent not to exceed $40. Box D-78, Post-Dispatch.

SUBURBAN PROPTY FOR RENT

DEVONSHIRE, 7712—6-room house; large grounds; from Prince, Shrewsbury Park station; rent cheap. A. Bauer, 111 Wilshusen, Shrewsbury. (2)

APARTMENTS

SOUTH

SHAW, 3901—New apartment; South Side; first apartment; 4 rooms and sun room; steam heat and all modern conveniences, $40. (1)

SHENANDOAH, 3868A—Modern, upper corner apartment; steam heated; 5 rooms, tile bath, shades and fixtures.

WEST

JULIAN, 5612—Four-room apartment, second floor; shower bath, vacuum cleaner service; open. (c8)

DWELLINGS FOR RENT

CENTRAL

NINTH, 114 N.—Downtown rooming house; 12 rooms; reasonable rent Apply 106 Carleton Bldg. (c8)

SHERIDAN, 3107—8-room residence; perfect order; rent reduced to $22; cheapest house in town. (6)

SOUTH

ALASKA, 6105—4 rooms and bath; rent $14 month; neatly decorated. Apply M. Hansel, 6721 S. Broadway, South 101, Laclede 72.

BOTANICAL, 3657—Attractive 8-room house; excellent condition; near 3 car lines. (c8)

CHOUTEAU, 1421—Eight rooms and bath, 2d and 3d floor, $20 per month. (c2)

WINNEBAGO, 3729—Four rooms; will decorate to suit tenant; rent $10 per month. Apply M. Hammel, 6721 S. Broadway, South 101, Laclede 72.

WEST

DELMAR BL., 4122—9-room modern dwelling, combination fixtures, furnace, tile bath, etc., furniture for sale, cheap, or will rent unfurnished; open. (c2)

NORTH

COTTAGE—For rent; new; 3 rooms, bath, closet, cellar, electric light; Vera near Florissant av., Keys next store. (c2)

COTTAGE—Four new, prettily decorated rooms, hot water heat, bath, fixtures, screens, granitoid laundry; $18; key 5343 Greer, same block.

MADISON, 2611—Two-story, 6-room brick; gas, water paid; rent $15. (c37)

FURNISHED HOUSES FOR RENT

MISCELLANEOUS

FURNISHED HOUSE—After Jan. 1; handsomely furnished, to reliable party; will please people of refinement; very complete. Box C-215, Post-Dispatch. (c6)

ROOMING HOUSE—For rent; well furnished; Cabanne district; 11 rooms; good-paying boarders; immediate possession. Forest 2670.

WEST

FINNEY, 4140—Six-room furnished house; furnace and bath; only $19 per month; key at 1214 Olive st., second floor. (2)

FURNISHED FLATS—APARTMTS

SOUTH

CALIFORNIA, 1904—Furnished flat of 4 rooms, bath, hot water for light housekeeping, gas, heat, $20 a month.

WEST

CABANNE, 5209—Desirable, clean apartment, all light rooms, immediate possession. Forest 2679.

IVANS, 4385—Elegant furnished 4-room flat; immediate possession; hall clock, gas dome, etc. Forest 2779W.

UNFURNISHED FLAT—Central west, 5 rooms, bath; $25; paid by two permanent rooms; buy this, get free rent; leaving city; will sacrifice; price $85; phone Lindell 1940.

FURNISHED APARTMENT—4 rooms, West End, for 1 month; couple without children, references required, price $50; phone Cabany 3008. (c)

MORGAN, 4065—2 or 3 elegant complete housekeeping rooms; heat, light, gas range, linen.

OLIVE, 3707—Newly furnished, modern apartment, for housekeeping; 2 or 3 rooms and bath; gas and electric light furnished; $8 per week. (c)

PAGE BL., 4204—Neatly furnished, 2-room flat; heat, bath, gas, $16 month.

PAGE BL., 4417—Five-room furnished flat; steam heat, electricity light; to responsible people.

VERNON, 5055A—5 rooms, newly, elegantly furnished, complete, heated; janitor, electric lights; choice location. (c8)

TO LET—BUSINESS PURPOSES

CENTRAL

FRANKLIN, 2014—Large store, and floored basement; suitable for any retail business; will rent whole building or first floor only; rent for store, $50.
GERALDIN BROS., 813 Chestnut st. (c8)

7 Stores in a Row

On a corner in the heart of the commission and produce district, and within 200 feet of Eads bridge; substantial 2-story brick buildings, with 35-foot driveway in rear. We will make generous leases.
JOHN DOCKERY & SON, 1026 Chestnut. (c3)

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DEAD storage for automobiles in heated garage, $4 per month; cars called for. Box N-113, Post-Dispatch.

GARAGE Wtd.—To rent; near Flora and Spring. Box O-237, Post-Dispatch. (c3)

FOR COLORED PEOPLE

EVANS, 4455 (rear)—Three-room flat; $8 per month. Easton-Taylor Trust Co. (*)

New Apartments for Colored

Fairfax av., 4167, 3 rooms, bath, toilet; sunlight in every room; only $12 per month to good tenant.
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FOR COLORED

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2321 Pine, 3 rooms, gas..... 14 00
2329 Randolph, 4 rooms; large yard.. 14 00
108 S. 11th, 2 large rooms 7 00
520 S. Garrison, rooms, newly papered 12 50
GRACE & SONS, 100 N. 8th st. (xc1)

REAL ESTATE

Solid agate, 10c line, minimum 20c.

FLATS, APARTMENTS, FOR SALE

WEST

FLAT—For sale, 5087 Minerva av.; 5 and 6 rooms; $5800; card at 1401 Goodfellow. Cabany 5262.

FLAT—For sale; 5037 Minerva av.; 5 and 6 rooms; $6800; card at 1401 Goodfellow. Cabany 5262. (c8)

FARMS FOR SALE

FARM—For sale; $1 per month buys 10 acres in Mo. Price $100. J. O. Raines, White Hall, Ill. (1)

FARM—For sale; 80 acres; house, outbuildings, stock, crops, implements; price $750; easy payments. 909 Clinton st.

FARM—For sale or trade; 74 acres; Clinton County, Ill.; $6000; clear; want clear store, flat or small property. Box F-216, Post-Dispatch. (1)

FARM—For sale, good Illinois farm, 80 acres; 5-room house, barn, fruit; near city; price $4000; terms, $1200 cash. See S. H. MORTON, 917 Title Guaranty Bldg. (c8)

FARM—For sale, a very good 60 acres; all under cultivation; 5 miles from Grover, on Manchester rd.; good 6-room house, new barns and all other outbuildings; plenty of water and fruit; a bargain in that section if taken at once. M. W. SCOTT, Lindell 5560. (c2)

LAND—For sale; 80 acres; 40 in cultivation, 40 in timber; 2 miles from Pocahontas, Ark., a county seat of 2000 population. Cash price $30 per acre, or will exchange for a first-class 1914 automobile with electrical equipment. Box E-185, Post-Dig. (c2)

LAND—For sale, 200 acres high farming land in Southern Illinois, on Big Muddy River, but not subject to overflow; 160 acres in one tract, 40 acres in another. Will make price low for whole or will exchange for half. balance cash. E. E. Isbell, 314 N. 12th, or John H. Scott, 1009 Washington av. (c8)

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ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.

DECEMBER WHEAT.

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.	Close Saturday.	Close Last Year.
St. Louis		119¼	114¾n	114¾n	114¾b	89¾b
Chicago	119-115⅝	119¼	118	118	115¼b	89¼a
Kansas City		111¾	104¼	104¾	104¾b	
Minneapolis	119¼@11¾	119¾	118¼n	118¾b	114¾	84¾a
Toledo	120	120¾	119¼	119¼	119¼	100

MAY WHEAT.

St. Louis	120¼@¾b	120¾@¾b	119¼@¼	119¼@¾	122¼a	93¼a
Chicago	123-122⅝	123	121¾@¾	121¾@¾	122¼a	92¼a
Kansas City	115¾	115¾	114¼@¾	114¾@¾b	118¾b	87¾a
Minneapolis	120¼	120¾	119	119b	118¾b	87¾@⅞b
Toledo	125¾	125¾	124¾	124¾	124¼	103¼b

DECEMBER CORN.

St. Louis	63¾	63¾	63¾	63¾	62¼b	69¾b
Chicago	63½	63¾	62¼	63a	63¼b	69½b
Kansas City	61¾-½	61¾@½	61¼	61¼b	61¼b	66¾a

MAY CORN.

St. Louis	70¾	70¼	69½@¾	69¾@¾b	69¾@¾b	71¾
Chicago	69¾@¾	69¾@¾	69

DAILY COMIC PAGE

"S'Matter Pop?" by ..... Payne.
"Axel, Flooey and the Moving Pictures" by ..... Vic.
"Can You Beat It" "The Day of Rest and Why Not" by Kelten.

POST-DISPATCH

"The Jarr Family" by ..... McCardell.
"Bill" by ..... Paul West.

DAILY COMIC PAGE

"Bill"

In which Bill assumes the role of Santa Claus and is now looking for revenge against certain persons.

By Paul West.

"ANYBODY what knows me'll tell youse I ain't th' kind o' guy what chews th' calico very long. Th' trouble wid me's that I'm too fergivin'. I have it in fer a feller an' start out lookin' fer him, an' be th' time I find him I fergit th' whole business, an' like as not g'wan up an' give him th' glad hand. BUT——

If I lay me hands on Izzy Katz or Red Gonigle, they'll be a couple o' new faces in nice little twin beds in th' nearest horspittle! I ain't revengeful, or nuttin' like that, an' I know 'tis the merry Christmas season, ha-ha! but—well, lissen!

Th' udder day I'm chasin' an errunt for th' Boss, an' hot footin' back, bein' wise to him noticin' them kinder t'ings round about th' time he's t'inkin' up what to give a lad fer Christmas, whin some guy grabs me be th' arm, an' says, "Hello Shrimp!" I looks roun', but they ain't nobody in sight only wan o' thim Salwation Army Sandy Clauses, standin' on that corner, right near our buildin'. So I t'inks I'm gettin' batty an' starts on, whin Sandy leans over an' h'ists me a hit wid wan of his boots!

"Hey, youse!" I says. "Only fer youse bein' such an old bloke I'd lam youse wid that growler full o' nickels." I says. "Youse'd lam nobody," says th' Sandy Claws, "'specially yer old pal, Red Gonigle!" "What relation's Red Gonigle t' youse?" I says. "G'wan! y' blind bat!" he says. "Take a good squint! Lookut!" An' he lifts up th' edge o' his whiskers, an' I hope to be runned over if 'twassen' Red hisself! I near passed away!

"Well, fer heav'n's sakes!" I says. "What kinder gag are this?" "Do it look like a gag?" says Red. "Only don't be standin' in front o' th' kittle or th' guys can't be droppin' their coin in. Keep th' pot a b'lilin', Missis," he says to an old gal what waddles up. "Help th' poor!" he says, an' th' old baby drops a mout'ful o' nickels th'rough th' nettin' over th' pot. "Fine bus'ness!" says Red to me. "I'll have th' pot full-up be night." "An' losin' yer job las' week!" "Don't be frettin' over me," says Red. "I ain't," I says: "I'm frettin' over meself.' I t'ink L'll land wan o' them jobs meself if I c'n hook a red flannel coat an' a bunch o' whiskers!"

"Youse'd be pinched," he says. "Thin why coulden' youse speak a word fer me," I says, "an land me on th' job, too?" "They're particklar who they takes," he says. "Only fer a Salwation guy livin' in our tiniment I'd never landed meself. 'Tis a fine job," he says, "an' they want only th' honestes' kind o' guys fer it which they kin trust."

Bill Takes Red's Job and Plays Santa Claus

"YEAH," I says, "it looks like they trusted youse, wid a nettin' over th' can, so's youse can't be touchin' th' till!" "That's fer guys what come along an' lift a handful," says Red. "But how much o' what's into th' can goes to youse?" I says. "Oh, I dunno," says Red, "but I s'pose haff. That would be only th' fair t'ing, after me standin' here all day." "That's right," I says. "Y'must get tired." "'Tis better 'n bein chased all over th' map be a cheap boss," says Red. "Stand outer th' way, youse," he says and an old sport is breezin' up an' tryin' fer to shove a bill t'rough th' nettin'. "'Twon't go t'rough, Mister," he says. "I'll take it." An' he grabs th' bill an' shoves it in his kick. "That'll stick to th' bell-rope whin I turn in me pail," he says, "an' th' firs' chanst I git I'll have a good blow over to the Busy Bee!"

"Yer a lucky guy," I says. "Well, so long, annyhow. I must be goin'. I t'ink I'll have me lunch now before goin' back to th' office." An' I starts off, feelin' kin' o' sore at a guy like Red landin' a soft snap like that.

"Hold on," he says. "Whaffer?" I says. "I'm hungry fer to leave th' Dutchmin's hot dogs start barkin' at me an' swalley a bucket o' good hot suds." "Wow!" says Red. "Wouldn' I give annyt'ing fer th' same?" "Well, come on," I says. "Yeah," he says, "in this disguise? I kin see what th' gang'll be doin' to me." "Well," I says, "I'll remimber youse whin I'm fillin' up," an' I starts off again, but he grabs me be th' fin.

"Say, lissen, Shrimp," he says, "would youse do me a favor?" "Sure," I says. "What are it?" "I'm awful hnngry," says Red. "Mind me pail fer jus' tin minnuts an' I'll be yer frien' fer life!" "A'right," I says. "Chase over to th' Dutchmin's, thin, but hurry back." "Yeah," he says, "but youse gotter put on me disguise. G'wan!" he says. "They'd never get wise, an' I won't be gone but a minnut! Hones'," he says, "I was feelin' all right till youse started talkin' about thim hot dogs an' suds, but now I can't stand it anudder minnit." Yeah," I says, "but where do I come in?" "Diden' youse see th' dollar bill th' guy dropped on th' top o' th' kettlin'?" says Red. "Annyt'ing like that is to youse, an' 'twill come in handy. Say, g'wan," he says, "we kin sneak in that doorway an' change off in a seckond, an' I'm starvin'."

Well, y' know th' kinder simp I am. I falls fer it like a bush leaguer fer a sideaway, an' th' nex' t'ing I know we're in th' doorway, an' Red's shovin' me into his red flannel overcoat an' stitchin' th' white whiskers over me map, an' jammin' th' hat on me head, an' slammin' th' dig dinner bell in me fist.

"Now," he says, "git on th' job, an' for heaven's sakes look happy. I'll be right back!"

"Well, if I diden' feel like a hasel nut, standin, there be that kittle, an' knowin' what I looked like. Fer two cints I'd o' grabbed Red an' told him fer to git anudder lad to be helpin' him, but he wasn' there, an' all I could do was stand like a house afire an' t'ink evvery guy what come by was onto me. An' all of a suddin along comes some bloke an' grabs me be th' arm, an' it's wan o' th' Salwation Army high-muck-a-mucks.

"I Never Seen the Guys So Easy," Declares Bill

"HERE, me good man," he says, "wake up! Don't be standin' like a dummy an' lookin' sad," he says. "Have j'y in yer heart an' show it to th' good people as they pass! Ring yer bell," he says, "an' th' money'll pour in!" An' he pats me on th' back an' goes down th' street.

Over on the udder corner's anudder Sandy lookin' as foolish as me, an' th' guy what called me down p'ints over to him an' hollers back at me: "Lookut him!" he says. "That's th' way! Show youse is as good a sodjer as him!"

So I starts me bell ringin', an' hollers like th' udder Sandy over acrost th' street. "Keep th' pot b'lin'," I says. "Help th' poor mutts what kin't got nuttin' fer fer Christmas! Keep th' pot a-b'lilin'," I says, clangin me bell, an' th' way they lined up an' dropped their coins in was elegint! I begun fer to like th' job meself. I never seen guys as easy. Only so fur they wasen' wan o' thim dropped annyt'ing what diden' go t'rough th' nettin', so I jingled me bell louder an' hollered more, an' th' dough kep' tricklin' in th' can. Th' Salwation Army guy was over on th' udder corner now, p'intin' me out to th' Sandy what I'd been tryin' fer to copy, an' that stirred him up, an' we had it good.

But wid all th' fun o' seein' people part wid their cush, I begun fer to wisht Red'd hurry back, it bein' me own lunch time, an' I 'm t'inkin' o' duckin' pretty soon if he don't, whin who's this com'n along th' street but Ethel, on her way to lunch. Wow! Th' way I sneaked down inside me whiskers an' jangled me bell. She's goin' right by th' tightwad, what's alluz tellin' me how she never passes wan o' thim Sandy Clawses widcut slippin' 'em sumpin, so I hollers:

"Keep th' pot a-bilin', Missus!" I says, "Don't be stingy," I says. "Show yer a sport!" I says, "an' come acrost!" "Well, did youse ever!" she says to th' skirt she's wid. "Ain't he th' comickil wan? I'll drop a nickel in fer luck!" "I wouldn't," says th' udder skirt. "They're a bunch o' grafters!" "Are they?" says Ethel, holdin' back her nickel. "Sure," says th' udder wan. "Didden' youse read about th' wan what was ketched sneakin' off wid his kettle, th' udder day, an' opinin' it in th' alley, grabbin' all th' coin fer hisself?" "Aw, sure," says Ethel, "but th' Salwation Army had him put in jail. I was readin' all about it. If wan o' thim sneaks offen his post fer a minnut they have him pinched an' sint up. But I t'ink this old genmun's a'right, so here goes!" An' in plunks th' nickel!

After Ethel Then Along Comes Who but Izzy Katz

TIN minuts more an' I diden' know what to be doin', whin who's this comin' along th' street but Izzy Katz. He starts by an' I give him a kick, an' he looks like he'd call th' cop.

"Cheesit, Izzy!" I says. "Don't youse know me?" "G'wan!" he says. "Me name is Izzy Katz! What'd I be knowin' about Sandy Claws?" "I'm no Sandy Claws," I says, "I'm Shrimp Doody, an' I'm holdin' down th' job fer Red Gonigle, which is th' reg'lar wan," an' I tells him all about it.

"I ain't seen him," says Izzy "But whatcher kickin' fer? Lookut th' growler full o' coin y' got!" "Got nuttin'," I says. "They's a inspector roun' th' corner, an' besides I ain't got no can-opener fer to pry th' lid offen th' kittle. Go find Red," I says.

So he ducks, an' th' minut he's wint who comes along again but th' inspector, so I hits up th' bell hard an' hollers fer 'em to keep th' pot a-b'lilin'. "Fine!" says th' inspector, pattin' me on th' back. "Yer doin' noble!" an' he goes away. But all th' time I know he's watchin' me from sumwheres, so I jingle's me old cow bell an' keeps hollerin', an' thin—Aw, well, th' usual t'ing! Th' Boss!

He's wid a client, an' whin they pass me I'm so skart I can't hardly wiggle me bell. But th' Boss stops an' looks me all over.

"A noble mission!" he says. "'Tis an organization what do a great deal o' good," he says, "rescuin' them from eternal damnation what ivvery udder means has failed to do. Why," he says, turnin' to his frien', "y'know that office b'y o' mine? Bad an' abandoned as he are, I believe th' Salwation Army could even save him! I've a good mind fer to be tryin' it onto him, some day. In th' meantime, I t'ink I'll help th' good cause along. Here's a fi-spot!" An' he rolls up a nice, clean fi' dollar bill, an' starts fer to shove it t'rough th' nettin'.

"'Twon't go t'rough," his frien' says. "Haden' youse better be passin' it right to Sandy hisself?" "No," say th' Boss, "he might lose it. I'll git it in," an' he rolls it up little an' slips it t'rough th' nettin'. "Good-by, an' good luck, Sandy Claws," he says to me, an' goes on, wid me lampin' that fi-dollar note an' cussin' Red Gonigle!

And as Usual the Whole Business Ends in a Row

WELL, wan o'clock come, an' thin half-past, an' no Red. An' me haff starved, an' wonderin' what'll I do! An' up comes a dame wid about six children an' tells 'em I'm Sandy, an' they astin' me all kinder fool questions about am I goin' ter bring Johnny a sled, an' did I get th' note from Charley, an' how many raindeers I got on me sleigh, an' me wantin' fer to paste 'em wid th' bell but afraid fer fear th' inspector's lookin'. An' thin—well, if they was wan kid outer th' buildin' that diden' line up in front o' me wid th' gang that come whoopin' roun' from th' alley wid Izzy Katz at th' head, he must o' missed bein' put wise by that little divil! An' 'twas "Hello, Sandy Claws!" An' "Don't he look cute?" An' "Whatcher goin'ter bring me for Christmas, Sandy?"

Well, they wasen' a guy livin' could stand that! I'll show youse what I'm goin'ter bring youse fer Christmas," I says, "an' youse won't haveter be waitin' fer Christmas to be gettin' it, elder!" An' I started fer 'em! They ducks fer th' buildin', an' me after 'em, an' just as I'm goin' t'rough th' door I hear th' Inspector hollerin' after me. But they wasen' no Salvation Army inspector nor nobody else could o' ketched me then! I didn't wait fer no elevator. I took th' stairs, an' was up in our dump about as soon.

"I dunno what time it is, Boss," I says, "only save me!"

"Bill!" he says. "What's th' meanin' o' this? An' I tells him.

"An' the whole Salvation Army'll be after me in two minutes," I says. "There they are now," th' door openin', an' I ducks fer th' Boss' private room.

In a minnut Ethel comes in.

"Take off that red flannel nightgown," she says, "an' hand it to me an' yer whiskers!"

"But—but—th' Inspector!" I says. "Th' Boss has fixed him, th' same as he fixes everybody youse git in trouble wid!" she says. "An' now he's lookin' fer Red Gonigle!"

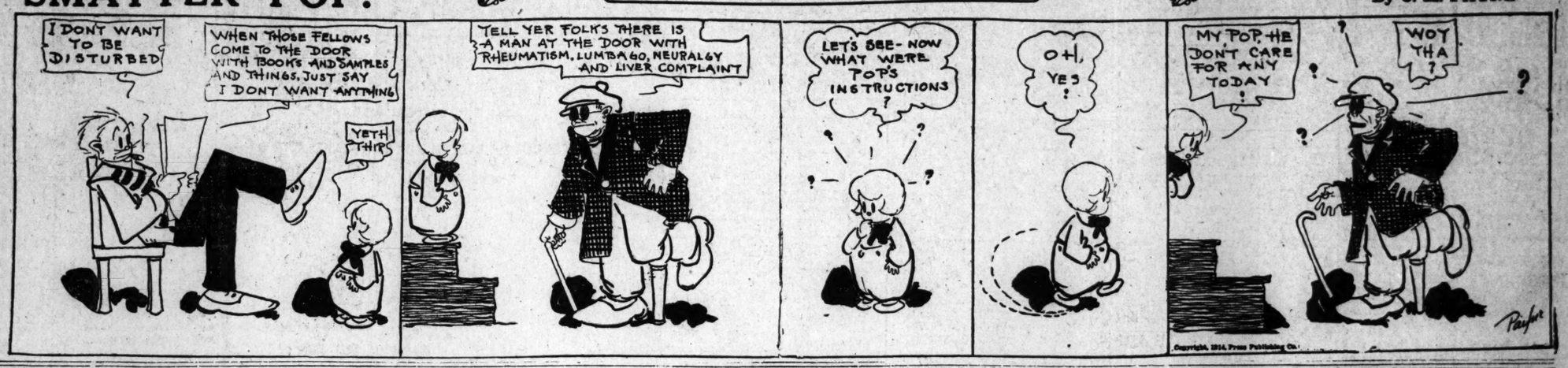
"Well," I says, "whin he finds him tell him fer to hand him a clip in th' face fer me!"

An' that's why I'm still raggy about Red. Also Izzy, fer puttin' th' gang wise!

'SMATTER POP?

Pop's Kid Follows Orders!

Drawn for the Post-Dispatch By C. M. PAYNE


I DONT WANT TO BE DISTURBED
WHEN THOSE FELLOWS COME TO THE DOOR WITH BOOKS AND SAMPLES AND THINGS, JUST SAY I DONT WANT ANYTHING
YETH THIR
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Going Him One Better.

A WESTERN buyer is inordinately proud of the fact that one of his ancestors affixed his name to the Declaration of Independence. At the time the salesman called the buyer was signing a number of checks and affixed his signature with many a curve and flourish. The salesman's patience becoming exhausted in waiting for the buyer to recognize him, he finally observed:

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"So?" said the caller, with rising inflection. And then he added:

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Cut Glass.

WHAT did he send you for a wedding present?"

"Cut-glass."

"Ah, tableware, I suppose?"

"No. A necklace."

A Society Sign.

HAVE they much money?"

"No, I'm sure they haven't. I overheard her telling a friend that they didn't care a bit for society."

Why?

WILLIE: Dad, why is the way of the transgressor hard?

Dad: Because so many people have trampled on it, my son.

Few grievances die of neglect.

Slogans of Success

By Hazen Conklin.

WE can forgive a man for kicking if he limits it to kicking goals.

THE shortest and best rule for the achievement of success is this: "GET RESULTS!"

TAKE a lesson from the molecule. It's a little thing. But take the biggest thing you know—what is it but molecules compiled? Big things in business are but little things molded together. Don't overlook 'em.

OFTEN the disagreeable but necessary duties would be done in half the time we take wishing we didn't have to do them.

THIS sounds like a paradox, but it isn't. The man who always has a skate on never cuts much ice.

Caretaker.

THIS plant belongs to the begonia family."

"Ah! And you are taking care of it while they are away."

Say It Yourself

"....," I said as she opened the door. I shook the snow off my coat. The wind howled dismally, and she quickly shut the door to keep out the swirling snow.

"....," she said piteously, "....."

"....," I replied, enigmatically, and followed her into the parlor.

"....?" she inqufred, anxiously.

"....," I asservated and nodded cruelly. At which she buried her head in her arms.

"....," she sobbed, "....."

"....," I answered, firmly.

"....," she cried, furiously.

I shrugged my shoulders and said, indifferently, "....."

She quieted her sobs, and was silent for a while. Then, "....," she sighed, resignedly.

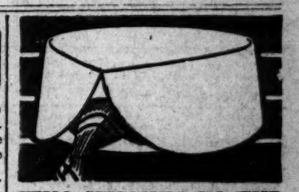
"....," I replied.

"....," she looked up shyly as she said this.

"....," I said, laughingly.

She rose unsteadily and came toward me. I took her in my arms.—Puck.

They say that lightning won't strike twice in the same spot, but it is just as well to keep on the hustle.—Philadelphia Telegraph.



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